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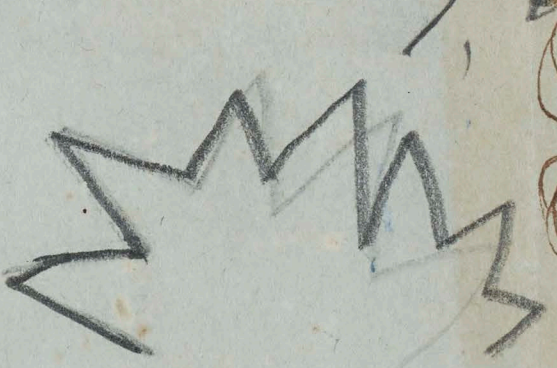
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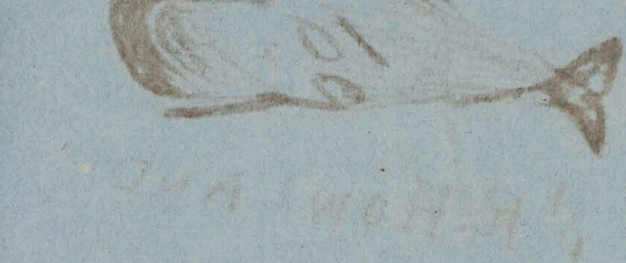
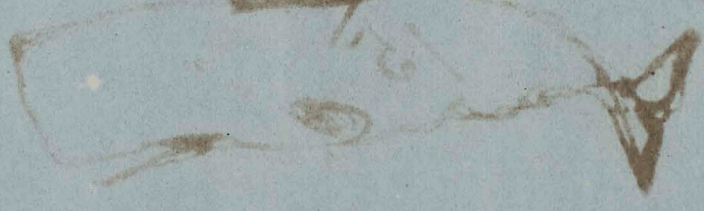
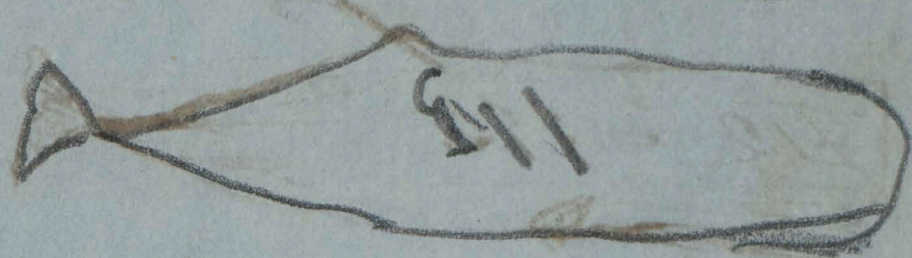
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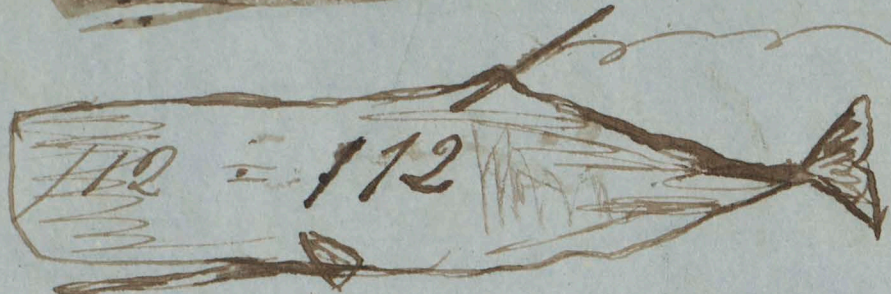
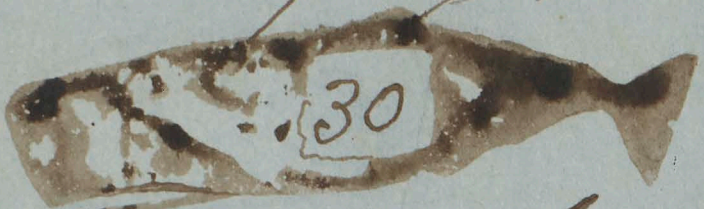
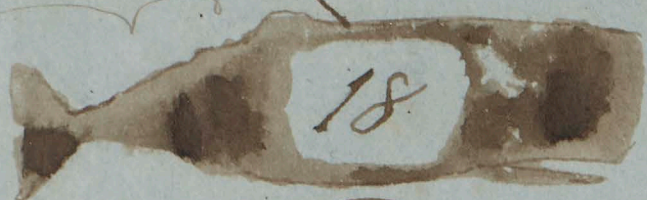
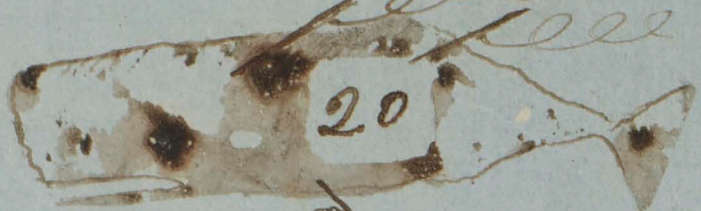


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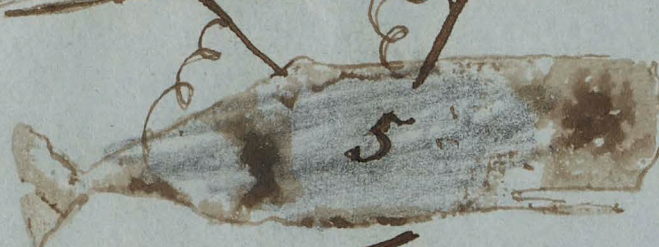
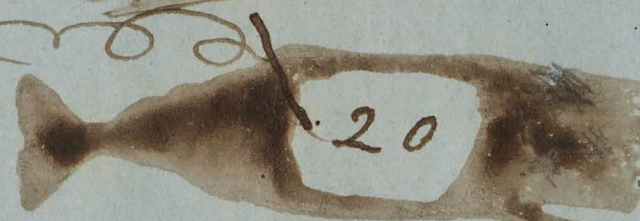
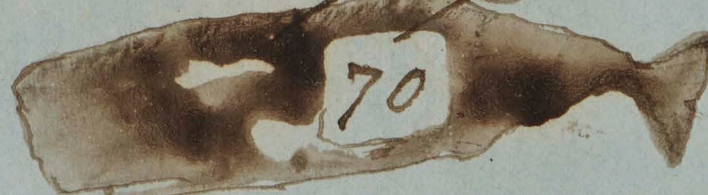
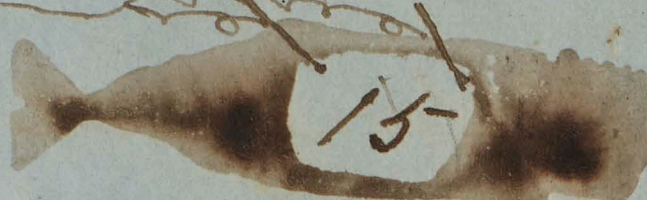
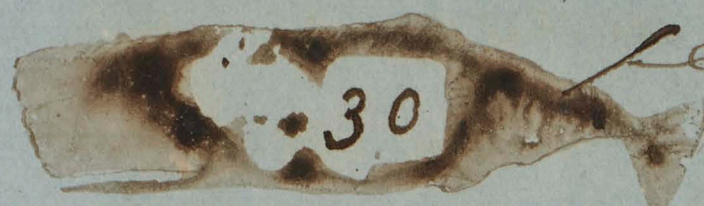
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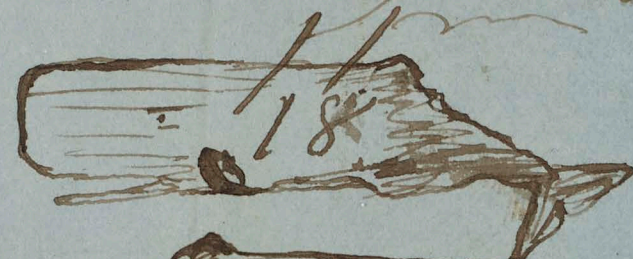
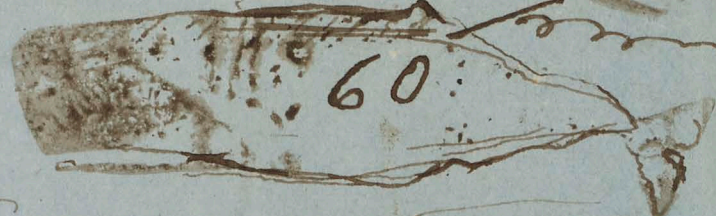
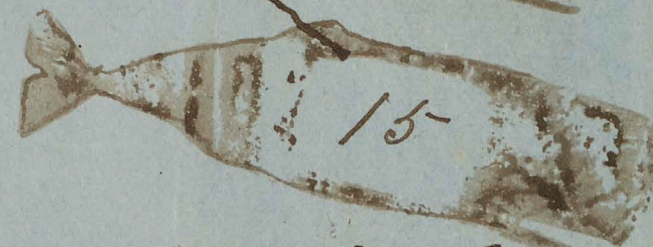
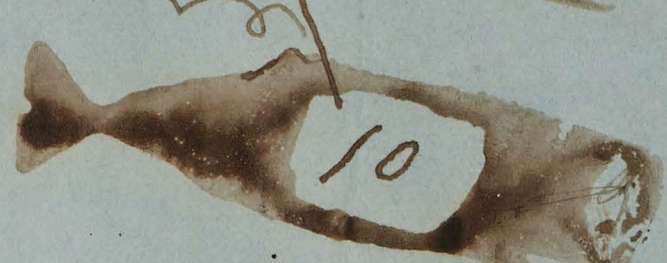
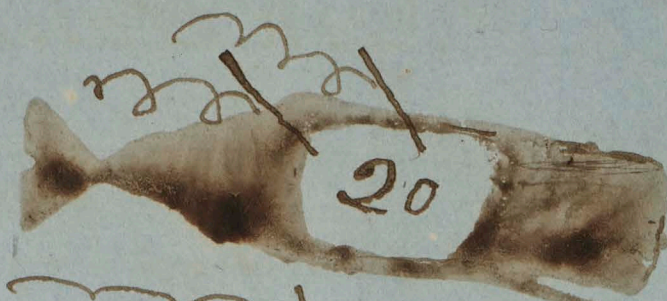


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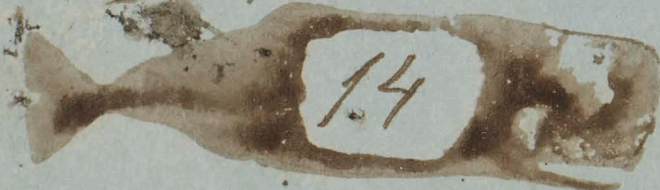
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James E. Baker

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Journal kept by Amos C Baker, on board
Bark John Dawson

Monday

July 18. th. 1859 Fine pleasant weather, sailed from
New Bedford in the Bark John Dawson
bound on a Whaling voyage to the Atlantic
Ocean under the Command of John Cornell -
at 10 A.M. all hands on board got under
weigh with a fair wind, at 12 discharged
Bolt. at 5 P.M. lost sight of the land.
called all hands aft and chose watches
and stowed down the Cable

Tuesday 19 th. A fine clear day all sail set. employed
getting the Boats ready for whaling. Commenced
to stand mast head. some of the Greene
hands are sea sick and some of the old
hands are home sick now for another
three years, its enough to make a fellow
sick to think of it. But time in for it now
and I'll make the best of it

Wednesday 20 th Pleasant weather almost a calm lowered
the Boats for Black Fish but could
not get fast. watch employed breaking out
the fore hold nothing in sight the home sick
Complaint seems to rage in this part of the
Globe

Thursday 21 st Fine weather all hands well employed
getting the Boats ready for whaling at
6 P.M. spoke Ship Falcon of New Bedford
homeward bound we sent letters. four days out
sending letters this is beginning early

Sunday 24 th. Fine pleasant weather all sail out and all
hands well nothing of any account has happened
for the last two days if I was at home to day
I would go to meeting. But as I am here I shall
have to stay at home. Where was I last Sunday

W. C. Baker Nov. 23. 1859

Journal kept by Amos S. Baker. on board
1859

Thursday July 28th Fine clear weather at 8 A.M. raised
A large breech off the lee bow run for it.
Watch employed variously at 5 P.M. raised
Sperm whales lowered two Boats but could
not get fast. The whales were going to Windward
at sun down Came on board one sail in sight

Friday 29th. Pleasant weather at 6 A.M. raised Sperm
Whales got breakfast and lowered two Boats
struck and killed a whale at 9 A.M. took
the whale alongside and commenced to cut in
at 12 finished cutting all hands employed
cutting up blubber and trying out, saw a
Bark steering about N.E. We are eleven days out
to day. Lat 35.15 N. Long 60.12 W

Saturday 30th. Pleasant weather all hands employed
trying out at 11 A.M. raised Sperm Whales
lowered two Boats but could not get on to
them, the whales were galled by Black Fish
Came on board and commenced to boil again

Sunday 31st. Pleasant, this makes two Sundays on board
the old John Dawson and we have got to
stay a good many more before we see
Yakel Land at 7 P.M. raised Sperm
Whales so late we could not lower at 9 in
the evening heard them close to the ship
took in every thing but the top sails

Thursday August 4th. Pleasant weather we took a sperm
Whale yesterday and cut him in commenced
to Boil last night spoke Bark Iowa of
Fairhaven home ward bound we sent letters
at 3 P.M. finished Boiling saw a Brig
yesterday steering about N.E. at 5 P.M.
raised Sperm Whales lowered three Boats
but did not have time to get fast

Lat. 34.50 N Long 59 27 W

3

Bark John Dawson. of New Bedford

1859

Friday Aug 5th. Pleasant weather, nothing in sight we are all ready for another whale. the Watch employed variously. so ends this day.

Sunday 7th Fine Clear weather at 8 A.M. picked up a dead sperm whale at the same time saw breeches proved to be sperm whales going to windward. took the whale alongside and cut him in at 4 P.M. started the works



Lat. 34.37 N. Long 59.57 West

Monday 8th. Pleasant finished Boiling at 2 A.M. the Watch employed variously saw nothing all hands well patiently waiting for another whale so ends this day

Sunday 21st. Light Winds and pleasant yesterday at 15 Minutes past 12 A.M. while reefing the main top sail a man by the name of Henry J. Porter fell from the yard Came down on deck and was instantly killed he belonged in the western part of the State of New York it seems rather hard to have any one killed so yesterday we Committed him to the deep his troubles are done for this world I hope he has gone to a better one.

Wednesday 24th A fresh breeze from the N.E. four sails in sight at 9 A.M. spoke Bark N.D. Chase of Beverly boiling out a large whale at 5 P.M. exchanged signals with an American Bark supposed her to be a whaler saw nothing in the shape of a whale so ends this day

Friday 26th. Pleasant at half past 9 A.M. raised Sperm Whales lowered three Boats the Bark Ocean Rover of Mattapoisett took two. the Thomas Pope of New Bedford Bark, took three the whales were galled when we ~~lowered~~ lowered the Leeward boat struck and killed a whale at 1 P.M. took the whale alongside and commenced to cut at 4 P.M. finished Cutting



Lat 35.56 N Long 35.26 W

Journal kept by Amos E. Baker on board
Saturday 1859

August 27th Fine pleasant weather all hands on deck employed Boiling at 6 P.M. spoke Bark Thomas Pope. finished Boiling at 7 P.M. the Bark Ocean Rover in sight so ends this day all hands well.

Sunday 28th Fine weather two sails in sight at 4 P.M. spoke Brig Eskel of Beverly 6 weeks out clean.

Tuesday 30th Fine weather light airs at 6 A.M. raised a large sperm whale got breakfast and lowered three Boats, but could not get on to him. Chased the whale all day. Came on board without success. I hope we shall have better luck next time.

Wednesday ~~31st~~ 31st Pleasant weather at 5 P.M. spoke Bark Ocean Rover of Mattapoisett three months out 240 Sperm. I saw two of the Johns Sawsons old crew that was aboard here. Last voyage so ends this day - all Well.

September

Thursday 1st Calm and hot sun. The Ocean Rover and another sail in sight saw Grampuses the watch employed variously in the afternoon spring up a light breeze when shall we get a whale before long I hope.

Friday 2nd A fine pleasant breeze saw nothing in the shape of a whale two sails in sight the watch employed variously time seems dull when we are getting no whales but never mind we'll catch one by and by.

Sunday 4th A fresh breeze, pleasant weather. at 1 P.M. spoke bark Dove of New London 27 days out clean. I wonder how all the folks are at home to day. I should like to be there if we only had twelve hundred barrels of sperm oil but as it is I must content myself here as still longer yet.

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Bark John Dawson of New Bedford

Monday 5th of September Weather good, the watch employed variously, I wish we could see a Sperm Whale

Tuesday 6th Fine Weather employed mending Main sail at 11 A.M. spoke Brig Altamaha of Lippican saw a Bark to the Windward at 3 P.M. bent the main sail, at 5 P.M. kept her off E. Wind from the Westward three sails in sight

Wednesday 7th. Fine Weather sent down main top sail and repaired it at 12 O'clock bent it again steering E. Wind from the Westward I wish we could see a Whale

Thursday 8th Pleasant, heavy swell on employed variously set up the Fore riggin in the fore noon, in the afternoon set up the Fore top gallant riggin, steering E. Wind from the Westward

Friday 9th. Pleasant. in the fore noon employed breaking out the main hold saw Jumpers 9 A.M. finished breaking out at 12 O'clock in the afternoon employed Coopering Oil ready to send home steering E. Wind from W.

Saturday 10th. Fine Weather and light airs at daylight raised Pico one of the Western Islands employed Coopering oil at 12 O'clock luffed to the Wind at 3 P.M. finished Coopering oil Loyal and Pico in sight at sun down doubled reefed the top sails

Sunday 11th. Fresh breezes and Cloudy. the islands of Flores Carvo Pico Loyal in sight - at 8 A.M. kept her off running in for the Land under double reefed top sails at 3 P.M. spoke Bark Messenger of New Bedford 3 months out clear at sun down close to Loyal laid off and on all night

Journal kept by Amos C. Baker

Monday Sept 12th Fresh breezes and Cloudy weather
laid off and on at Fayal all day Capt
ashore landed 69 barrels of sperm oil
to be sent home - the ships Gov. Knapp
and Marengo of N Bedford laying off
and Bosc Ph. L. Barston laying off and on.
I received 3 letters this afternoon from
home and was glad enough to get them.
I saw an old ship mate ashore today
that was with me last voyage in the
afternoon got some recruits on board shipped
three green Portuguese at sun down Capt came
on board made all sail and beat to the wind
ward of the Island strong breezes and rugged
a man by the name of Alexander Pickle ~~deserted~~

Tuesday 13th Buggy weather brisk wind the Islands
of Fayal Pico St. George and Graciosa in
sight saw a Brig. employed variously. saw
nothing in the shape of a Whale

Wednesday 14th Fine weather nearly Calm at 1 P.M.
Capt took a boat went ashore at Graciosa
to get Potatoes but could not get any.
The islands of St. George Pico Fayal and
Terceira in sight in the afternoon sprang up a
light breeze steering E. S. E.

Thursday 15th Strong breeze and rainy in the forenoon
employed washing ship Terceira in sight
running down along shore under double reefed
top sails at 12 o'clock shook the reefs out of the
main top sail steering to the southward and
eastward at 4 P.M. lost sight of the land at
sun down furled the fore sail and double
reefed the main top sail steering S. by W.
Wind from N. blowing a fresh gale and rugged

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On board Bark John Dawson of N Bedford

Friday 16th of Sept. this day Commences with a fresh gale from the N. steering to the southward under double reefed top sails and foresail at sundown took in the fore topsail blowing a fresh gale at 12 o'clock began to moderate saw a Brig steering about E.

Saturday 17th At 2 A.M. set fore top sail gib and spanker at 7 A.M. shook the reefs out the top sails set main top gallant sail flying gib & gaff top sail fresh breezes from the E. steering S. S. E. employed variously saw a sail off the Weather beam after supper lowered the starboard boat to learn the green Portuguese how to pull they done very well but they would catch a crab once in a while

Sunday 18th Fine pleasant weather good weather enough to go to meeting but I guess I will stay at home today! When shall we get a whale I have almost forgotten how they look saw a large merchant ship and two other sails

Monday 19th Fine clear weather employed making spun yarn and stopping blocks at 5 P.M. lowered a boat and went on board Bark Messenger of New Bedford 4 months out clear at 9 P.M. Came on board again dead calm so and so

Tuesday 20th Hot sultry weather the watch employed making spun yarn & C. at 5 P.M. spoke Bark Ocean Rover of Mattapoisett 4 months out 200 sperm had quite a gam and saw a blow hard.

Wednesday 21st Warm sultry weather watch employed variously Cooper making a deck club Carpenters mending oars - the rest applying main top sail foot ropes and making mat and sennett & C. saw two sails one of them a schooner

Journal Kept by Amos C Baker

Thursday Sept 22nd Light Wind, and rainy
Watch employed breaking out the fore
hold broke out the after hold and
got some slops for the Wild Portuguese
Cooper repairing oil Cask Carpenter
mending oars so on and so forth
at 9 P.M. gamed With the Brig Hopeton
of Lippican and Schooner John Adams of
Provincetown

Friday 23rd Commences Calm A.M. warm Weather
at 12 O'clock sprang up a light breeze, Watch
employed making spun yarn and so forth
P.M. pleasant A. Brig and Schooners in
sight - saw nothing in the shape of a Whale

Saturday 24th. Fine pleasant Weather this is our
Wash day but instead of washing employed
painting Chain plates at 11 A.M. finished
painting one of the Wild Portuguese was sick
at the Mast head Capt thought a dose of
Salts would do him good - We Can't see nothing
that looks like a Whale

Sunday 25th It is a fine pleasant day I should like
to see the old folks at home yes I should
like to see some of the young folks too -
and I should like to see a Sperm Whale
Well we must live in hopes

Monday 26th Thick hazy Weather fresh breeze from the
E. S. E., starting. S. by E. all sail set A.M.
Watch employed breaking out the fore
hold for Bread making Usennette. V.C.
putting scayings on the main rigging Mr
Wicks made himself sick eating Cabage
at sun down Commenced to breeze on and
the Royals but soon took them in at 12
O'clock took in top gallant sails so and
blowing fresh - our Charles was kept at the
Wheel 7 hours for seeing Wild - look out Charles

(9)

On board Bark John Dawson

Tuesday Sept 27th Commences with strong winds and variable at 2 A.M. set Topgallant sails at 4 took them in again at 5 raised fore one of the Canary islands at 6 doubled reefed the top sails and furled the mainsail. Wind variable took in the jib spanker fore topsails at 11 A.M. set fore top sail land about 10 miles distant - I don't feel very well to day if I was at home I would play up sick but here never say die while there's a shot in the locker. Sam talks about the girls some at 4 P.M. lost sight of the land - steering south moderate breeze from the Eastward

Wednesday 28th Fresh breezes at daylight made all sail Watch employed setting up Mizen top mast back stays taking service off the fore top mast back stays making sennette. I don't feel very well to day but never mind we can't expect to feel well all the time

Thursday 29th Fresh breezes from the Northward steering to the Southward at 10 A.M. sounded but did not find bottom the water looks green Watch employed variously broke out for water serving back stays making sennette J.C. saw a steam ship steering to the N.

Friday 30th Fresh breezes and pleasant Watch employed making sennette serving back stays J.C. at 4 P.M. spoke Schooner Roswell King of Sissipooan I don't feel very well to day I am almost on the sick list

Saturday October 1st Fresh breezes from the N. steering S. this is our wash day I have a sore hand so I shall have to go without washing for this time. saw a Hin Back

Remarks Made by Amos G Baker
Sunday Oct 2nd

It is almost Calm and a heavy swell on. It is a very warm day I Wonder if we are ever going to see any more whales I hope we shall before long we are on what is called the Porpoise banks it is rightly named for there is a very quantity of them here saw a fin Back this forenoon. I suppose the folks at home are going to meeting and having pleasant times never mind we shall be there by and by

Monday 3rd. It is a warm day Watch employed setting up the head stays V.C. four years ago we left New Bedford in this old Bark I hope we shall not be gone as long this voyage as we were last change the subject Mr Wick is down on Cabbage we had Cabbage for dinner as for myself I can go it first rate Mr Duntin says a persons ought not to confine themselves to much in the house

Tuesday 4th Fine pleasant weather employed making sennette Capping the main rig in V.C. at 3 P.M. spoke Bark Willis of Mattapoisett 3 months out to sperm the W. took 4 Black Fish they would make 8 barrels I wish we could see a Whale I fear I shall have the Blues before long if we dont get some oil. We are steering S. With moderate wind from the N. What is called the N.E. trades

Wednesday 5th Hot sultry sultry weather light baffling winds employed making sword mat. sennette saw a fin Back I should like to see a fellow with a hump on his back and a square head

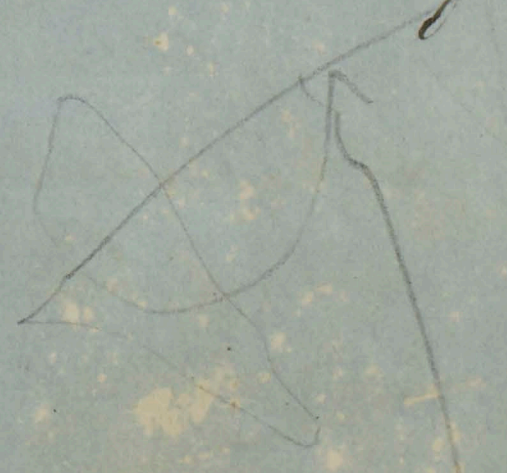
On board Bark John Dawson

Thursday 6. Commences Calm at 5 A.M. Came up a squall with rain took in light sails and Clewed down the topsails double reefed the fore top sail at 7 A.M. shook out the reefs and made all sail steering S. by W. Wind from the E. N. E. saw a Hind Bark all hands got a good soaking this morning but I guess it wont do some of them any harm only wash off a little of the dirt which died away to a light air and variable Watch employed breaking out for Flour Water & C. put a mat on the foot of the Main top gallant sail so on F.C.

Friday 7th Commences with light air and variable at 6 A.M. lowered the Boats for Black Fish Starboard boat struck and killed one Waist boat struck and killed one took them along side and hoisted them in got breakfast A.M. Watch employed clearing away cleaning and mincing blubber P.M. employed fitting new fore top sail lifts at 3 P.M. lowered the Boats again for Black Fish Starboard Boat struck and killed one took him along side and hoisted him in poked him of his Pocket. Kept off on our Course again steering S. by W. light breeze from the E. N. E.



Saturday 8th Light trades and Warm Weather Watch employed mincing blubber at 9 A.M. commenced to boil at 2 P.M. finished turned up 3 barrells at 4 P.M. lowered the Boats for Black Fish but could not get on to them Came on board finished washing decks got supper so on and so forth.



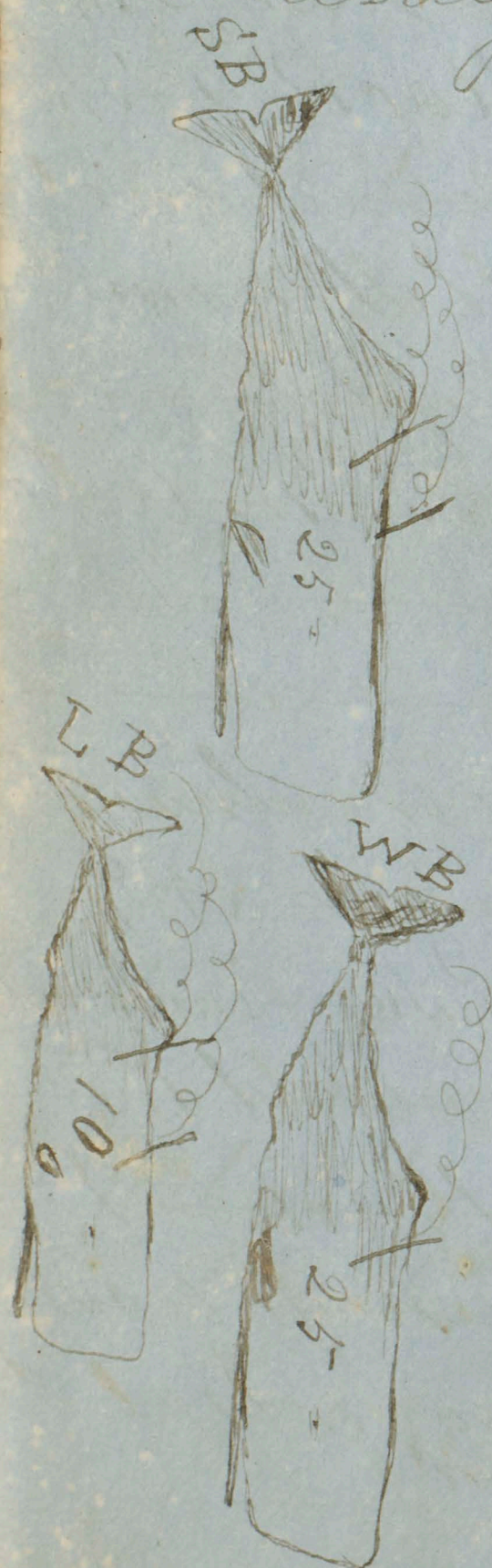
Remarks made by Amos C. Baker

Sunday Oct 9th Commences With light airs and Cloudy at 8 A.M. lowered two Boats for Black Fish Capt shot 3 from the ship but they proved to be Cow Fish, one Boat Came on board lowered the Starboard and Starboard Boats for More Black Fish Chased them a spell and Came on board without success at 10 A.M. Came on squally With rain at 12 o'clock Wind died away Cant see any thing that looks like a Whale

Monday 10th Light baffling Winds and Calm Cloudy Weather Watch employed fitting new top sail lifts V.C. saw no Black Fish

Tuesday 11th Light airs and Warm Weather all hands employed breaking out and Coopering Bradd at 5 P.M. finished and Washed off deck steering S.W.

Wednesday 12th Cloudy with thunder and lightning light breeze from N.E. steering S.W. Took in light sails and double reefed the top sails furled the Main sail at 4 A.M. made all sail employed repairing Mizen riggin at 2 P.M. Mr. Wick raised Sperm Whales lowered the Boats Capt struck a Whale Mate struck another second Mate struck another killed the Whales at sundown took them alongside set quarter watches for the night got cutting tapers up broke out Blubber room V.C. Latitude $8^{\circ} 11' N$ Longitude $28^{\circ} 14' W$.



Lat $8.22 N$ Long $19.59 W$

On board Bark John Dawson of N. Bedford

Thursday 13th Fine pleasant weather all hands turned
to at day light to cut in got them all in at
12 o'clock P.M. employed clearing away
the heats V.C. at 4 P.M. started the try
works so boiling watches first part of
the night raining latter part fine weather
it makes a fellow nice to get wet through when he
is all covered in oil but folk will go whaling

Friday 14th. Calm and warm weather all hands
employed cutting up blubber boiling
V.C. and its almost hot enough to melt a
fellow but never mind make hay when the sun ^{shines}

Saturday 15th Light baffling air and calm hot
sultry weather all hands employed
boiling V.C. one sail in sight —
Capt Cornell is rather run well to day
at 4 P.M. finished boiling washed off decks

Sunday 16th Calm hot sultry weather I feel a little
tired to day and I guess most of my
associates do if they do not they ought
to the weather is hot enough to melt lead
our whales made us 60 barrels well that
is not picked up on every bush I would
like to take three more whales to day it is
sunday but we are off soundings so it
dont make any difference if it is Sunday
folks at home go to meeting while we out
have straining our eyes out looking for whales
Capt Cornell is sick this weather is enough
to make any one sick

Monday 17th Variable winds calm at times saw two
sails one a steam ship Capt C. is no
better I've been down the cabin all day
tending him and its little the worst
job I've had for some time for I see no
hand to take care of the sick I suppose
I shall have to go down there again to
night and I dread it I would sooner have
eight hours in the sea scuppers.

Journal kept by Amos G. Baker
Tuesday 18th of October Three Months out to day 120
barrells of sperm Capt Cornell is sick
I have been tending on him this forenoon
Sam and the Cooper are sick and I dont
know but we all will turn fin out yet
it has been raining this forenoon Took
a watch below in the afternoon steward put
a blistering plaster on the Cooper and Sam
Sam says his bites as the Portugee says

Wednesday 19th Raining a fine breeze from the East
ward Sam and the Cooper are a little
better this morning Capt about the
same I was tending on him eight hours
last night but I guess I shall get out
of it to night saw Black Fish

Thursday 20th Cloudy Weather at 3 A M. tacked ship
heading to the east ward at 5 A M. tacked
again heads S W. steering by the Wind
Capt is getting better and I guess I
shant have to watch with him again
at present Cooper is about the same Sam
likewise as for myself I feel first
rate at 9 P.M. tacked ship heading S.E.
saw two Brigs

Friday 21 Cloudy Wind variable rainy at times
Watch employed picking over Potatoes
V.C. saw two sails at dark died away
Calm clewed the top sails down at 11 P.M.
sprang up light breeze from the S.E.

Saturday 22nd Commences with a light breeze from
the S.S.E. at 4 A M. tacked ship heading
S.W. this is our wash day the Captain came
on deck this morning I guess he is getting
well I have been at the masts head this
morning straining my eyes for a sperm whale
but all in vain I could not see any Sam
has gone to the mast head and I hope he'll
raise a whale

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On board Bark John Dawson

Sunday 23rd Fresh breezes from the S E steering
by the Wind all sail set heads S S W.
Rigged a preventer fore top gallant back stay
I have been at the mast head 5 hours this
fore noon looking for a Whale but could see
none What would I not give to have a letter
from home written yesterday but that is an
impossibility I suppose we shall be on the
Equator some time to night perhaps old
Neptune will visit us and shave the green
horns the Latitude at 12 O'clock today was
1° 17' North Longitude 24° 45' West - Tends
with strong trades from the S. E. Cooper
he is sick 3 foremast hands laid up
with sore fingers & ends this day.

Monday 24th ~~Strong~~ ^{fresh} trades from the S. E. steering
by the Wind heads S W. rigged a preventer
main top gallant back stay Wold Neptune
did not call on us last ^{night} Suppose he had
to much business on board other ships
at 12 o'clock took in fore top gallant sail
breecing on Clouds and rigged

Tuesday 25th Brisk gale at 4 A M. took in Main top
gallant sail flying jib and Gaff top sail
Carried away spanker &vang split Gaff
top sail took it in took in Flying Jib
old John is jumping into it & he makes
the brine fly Wind moderating some
split Flying Jib mended it set it again

Wednesday 26th Moderated down to a pleasant breeze
Made all sail at 6 A M. sent in
Flying Jib to repair it at 12 O'clock bent
it again a three masted schooner in sight
steering about S W. - employed picking
over Onions & C.

Remarks made by Amos G. Baker

Thursday 27th of October Fresh breeze from the
S. E. steering by the Wind Heads S. S. W.
employed staying on fair leaders
making Arch Bells strapping Blocks
& C. It is a pleasant day and
I should like to see a Sperm Whale
at sun down not the Royals

Friday 28th. Pleasant breeze from the S. E. steering
S. W. by S. at day light took in Royals
employed Coopers Oil finished Coopering
at 12 O'clock two sails in sight raised
White Water proved to be Fin Backs at sun
set not the Main royal and run a coil
of Monilla Cardage

Saturday 29th Pleasant breeze from the S. E. steering S. W.
15 days more and we shall be on our Whaling
ground if nothing happens to prevent it
at day light took in main royal broke out
for water. saw a Portuguese Bark and a
Brig steering to the N. W. We tried to
speak the Bark to send letters home
but the Portuguese did not carry enough
to speak us. so we shall have to wait
until we fall in with a vessel of a civilized
Nation saw three other sails at sun set
not the Royals

Sunday 30th Strong breeze from the S. E. steering S. W.
at day light took in the Royals at 6 A. M.
raised White Water run for it proved to be
Fin Backs saw White Water several times
turned out to be nothing but Trampuses and
Fin Backs. the folks at home are having
fine times going to meeting and walking
out while we poor fellows out here Cooped up
in an old ship day after day see nothing but
blue water but never mind will be home by
and by then will make up for lost time

On board Bark John Dawson of N. Bedford

Monday Oct 31st Fine pleasant Weather Watch
employed strapping Blocks fitting fore
top gallant lifts and royal shrou to
G.C. one sail in sight steering to the S
We are steering S. W. Wind from the N.E.
at sun set furled the main sail and
took in light sails

Tuesday November 1st Fine pleasant Weather
at day light Commenced to Cooper Oil
it is eight years ago to day that I started
to go whaling and I have as much money
now as when I began Well I dont suppose
I ever was born to be sick at 2 P M finished
Coopering Oil at 3 spoke Brig Barrier of London
10 days from Rio Janeiro bound to New Found
Land We lowered a boat Went on board
Carried letters to send home at 7 Came on
squally and rainy at 9 double reefed the top
sails took in Gib and Spanker

Wednesday 2nd Rainy employed Catching Water
at 8 A M. Got Gib and Spanker at 5 P M
took in fore top sail Gib spanker fore sail
Wore ship heading to the Eastward raining all
these 24 hours Close reefed the main top sail
blowing a fresh gale

Thursday 3rd Cloudy Weather at 6 A M. Wore ship
at 8 A M. Got fore sail Gib and Spanker shook one
reef out the main top sail. Raining at times
blowing a light gale at 1 P M. set fore top
sail and Main sail wind more moderate
raining nearly all the time saw two sails
at 7 P M. Stacked ship heading ~~Eastward~~
S. E. W. at 8 Cleared off stopped raining

Remarks made by Amos C Baker

Friday November 4th. Moderate winds and puffing
at 1 A.M. shook the reefs out the Main
top sail at 2 tacked heading Eastward
shook one reef out the fore Top sail
at 6 A.M. tacked again heading S.W.
employed making scrub broom teeth
fitting main Spencer buang fresh breezes
attended with rain squalls saw two sails

Saturday 5th Pleasant breeze from the Eastward steering
South at day light Called all hands and
Commenced to stow down pit at 1 P.M.
spoke Brig Orea Smith of Baltimore
bound to New York at 4 finished
stowing down stowed down 53 barrels
at sunset began to breeze on at took
in fore top gallant sail

Sunday 6th Strong breezes from the N.E. steering
South by West Nothing in sight at 9 P.M.
set main royal at 10 set fore top gallant
sail and royal so ends this day all
hands Well - Were going about 8 knots

Monday 7th Moderate breezes from the N.E. steering
S. West, raining at times Watch employed
beaking out fore hold for shooks fitting main
top gallant lifts VC at 2 P.M. breezing on
taken in light sails Wind veered round to the
West S.W. at sun down double reefed the
top sails at 12 O'clock blowing a gale laying
to under double reefed main top sail

Tuesday 8th. Commences blowing a fresh gale laying
to at day light set fore sail Watch employed
strapping blocks shifted fore and main top
gallant Pies Cooper making bangs Carpenter filing
hooks at sun down put new main brace
Wind more moderate made sail at 11 O'clock
P.M. had whole top sail on to her

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On board Bark John Dawson of N Bedford

Wednesday 9th of November Commences Moderate breeze
and a heavy swell employed Munching
Main Spencer at day light set light sails
at 8 A M. tacked ship heading to the S W.
at 12 tacked again at 12 bent Main Spencer
P M. employed repairing fore top mast stay
sail at dark Wind died away Clewed
down the top sails at 9 springing up a light
breeze from North East steering S W.
at 12 set Royals

Thursday 10th Raining Wind breezing on at 3 A M.
took in Royals at 9 took in fore top gallant
sail parted Main top gallant sheet spliced
it and set the sail again furled the Main
sail doubled reefed the fore top sail. Wind
breezing on at sun set blowing a gale from
the East under clost reefed Main top sail and
fore sail at 9 P M. Wind died away to a
fresh breeze at 12 o'clock had Main top gallant
sail set as ends this day

Friday 11th Commences fresh breeze and breezing
on from the W. N. W. at 2 A M. doubled reefed
the top sails at 3 took in fore top sail split
Main top sail Clewed it up and furled it
took in the fore sail blowing a gale and a
heavy sea running at day light set the lee clew
of the fore sail and foot of the spanker. A M.
furled the fore sail and spanker again rove
new main brace laying to under fore top mast
stay sail and Main Spencer at sun set
moderated set fore sail and spanker. Wore
ship heading Westward set Main sail
and Tubb

Remarks Made by Amos C Baker

Saturday 12th of November Commences With Moderate breeze from the South Ward at 1 A. M. set Gaff top sail flying jibb and fore top sail. rove fore top sail Bunt line A. M. employed in sending down Main top sail Broke out fore Tholid for another bent it sent down fore royal yard rove new Main top sail reef tackle so on and so forth at 9 P. M. set Main Royal and fore top gallant sail so ends one sail in sight

Sunday 13th Commences With light airs from the Westward Wind increasing Cloudy weather at 5 A. M. took in Main Royal at 7 took in fore top gallant sail the Weather is growing Cool our Latitude is about 3.2 Deg South I should just like to take a peep into the house at home this morning and see how the folks are getting along but a good many days will pass before we see home. saw a sail steering to the Northward

Monday 14th Strong breezes from the Westward employed Mending Main top sail at 6 A. M. took in light sails at 12 double reefed the top sails P. M. Moderated to a light breeze saw Nothing but Albatross and a few other sea Birds the (Sailors) got some Boots out of the slop Chest one of the Greene Portuguese Came near breaking his neck it being the first pair of Boots he ever had on his plantations I commenced to head the Watch. Sam is not very well

On board Bark John Dawson of New Bedford

Tuesday 15th of November Commences With light
airs from the Westward at 1 O'clock A.M.
Wore ship heading N.W. employed mending
Main top sail saw Lin Backs at 4 P.M.
sezt down fore top sail finished repairing
the Main bent it in the place of the fore
Mr Duntin has been laughing at one
of the Portuguese because he had his new
Boots on - Sam is rather unwell, I am
sorry he is sick. Capt he is sick to
at sun set Wind died away furled
the main sail at 12 Clewed down the sails
dead Calm so ends this day

Wednesday 16th Commences Calm employed
repairing Main sail saw Grampuses
Sam is no better. Capt he is better at 3
P.M. raised spouts called them Sperm Whales
lowered the Boats and after pulling about 7 miles
proved to be Lin Backs I was sadly disappoint-
ed for I thought of getting along side of a Sperm
Whale Came on board again better luck next time
bent the main sail at sun down took in
light sails sprang up a light breeze from the
Eastward steering West

Thursday 17th Commences With light breeze from the
Eastward steering W. at day light raised
Lin Backs. Employed repairing Main
top gallant sail rigged a short yard up
fore ward for the men to lean against at
the mast heads - Sam is rather better to-
day. Cooper he is sick he took an Emetic
he dont like Emetics but the Capt thinks
they are the best thing for sick people - at
sunset took in every thing but double reefed
Main top sail and fore sail steering West

Remarks made by Amos C Baker

Friday 18th of November Commences with moderate breezes from the North ward steering West at day light set fore top sail a ship in sight at 7 A M. Commenced to rain. We ship took in fore top sail and fore sail blowing a gale at 10 A M. set fore sail steering West heavy sea running Caught a Porpus. at 1 P M. took in fore sail luffed to the wind at 3 Wind more moderately saw two sails one a Brig steering Northward at 10 set fore sail

Saturday 19th Commences with light winds from the Southward at day light made sail at 7 A M. tacked ship at 8 tacked back again a ship in sight boiled out the Porpus blubber at sun set shortened sail at 12 hauled up the fore sail so ends



Sunday 20th Calm it is a very pleasant day Sam says he is going to shave but I have made my mind up to let my whiskers grow our breakfast was not very delicious this morning but we are going to have Plum Doreh for dinner so that will make up for our poor breakfast Sam is going to get cropped this morning at 6 bells A M. so I must go on deck and stand my watch - P M saw two sails one a large ship with no sail set on the fore mast the other a Vermophedite Brig the ship was steering Southward at sun set shortened sail We are now Cruising off River Plate. Caught two Porpusses.

On board Bark John Dawson of New Bedford

Monday 21st. Commences with fresh breeze from the Eastward at day light made sail at 7 A.M. double reefed the Fore top sail. saw H in Back employed repairing Fibb Cooper setting up shooks Capt. Visunwell at 2 P.M. bent the Fibb and furlled it saw a ship steering Southward at sun set shortened sail heading Northward

Tuesday 22nd Commences with moderate breeze from the N.E. at day light made sail strong breeze saw H in Back Capt. is about the same employed various hick Wicks put some tar on my Whiskers but I will come up with him for it when shall we get a whale. before long I hope we want something to drive away the blues saw a Bark steering about S.W. at sun set shortened sail heading Southward so ends

Wednesday 23rd Commences with fresh breeze from the S.E. at day light made sail and wore ship heading E.N.E. Capt about the same - Watch employed strapping Blocks & C. Mr. Duntin says he slept with Nellie Smiths picture under his pillow last night at 12 clock took ship P.M. employed cleaning Windlass falls fitting Main top sail lifts. Cooper making a bathing tub for the Captain at sun set shortened sail

Thursday 24th Commences with light breeze from the N. steering E.S.E. at daylight a strong breeze made sail kept off steering S. at 10 A.M. luffed to the Wind heading N.E. Capt is about the same, watch employed fitting foot ropes cleaning Windlass falls & C. saw a sail at sunset took ship heading Westward shortened sail at 9 P.M. took in the fore sail Cloudy weather so ends this day

Remarks Made by Amos C Baker

Friday 25th of November Commences With light Winds and Cloudy Weather at day light Made sail steering Southward Capt is about the same - Mr Duntin is making some names to put on his boat I guess I must name the Starboard boat Mr Duntin is naming his Emma - Watch employed serving Main top mast back stays at sun set shortened sail - at 3 P.M. luffed to the Wind heading Westward

Saturday 26th. Commences With fresh breezes from Northward breezing on at 2 A.M. took in the Fore sail. The Capt is a little better today I have got the Blues the worst kind if I was in America today I don't think I ever should come to sea again but I am here now so I must make the best of it there is no use to cry for spilt milk at 7 A.M. tacked ship. Tacked again at 8 heading W.S.W. Caught a Porpus saw a sail at sun down took in sail breezing on so ends

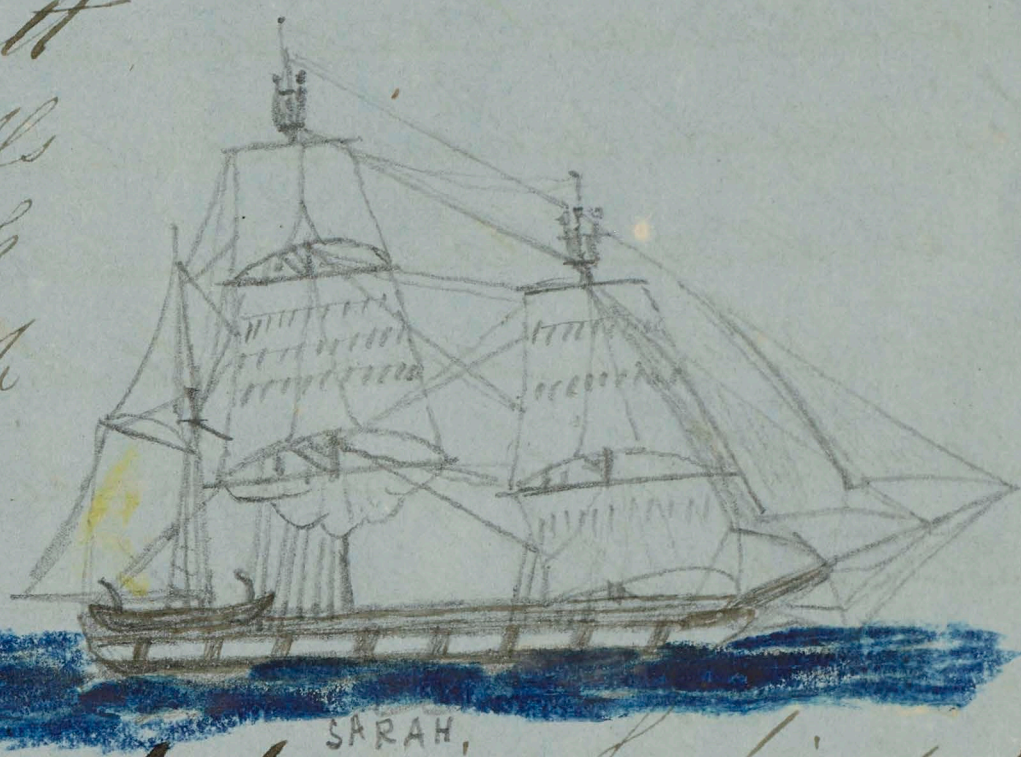
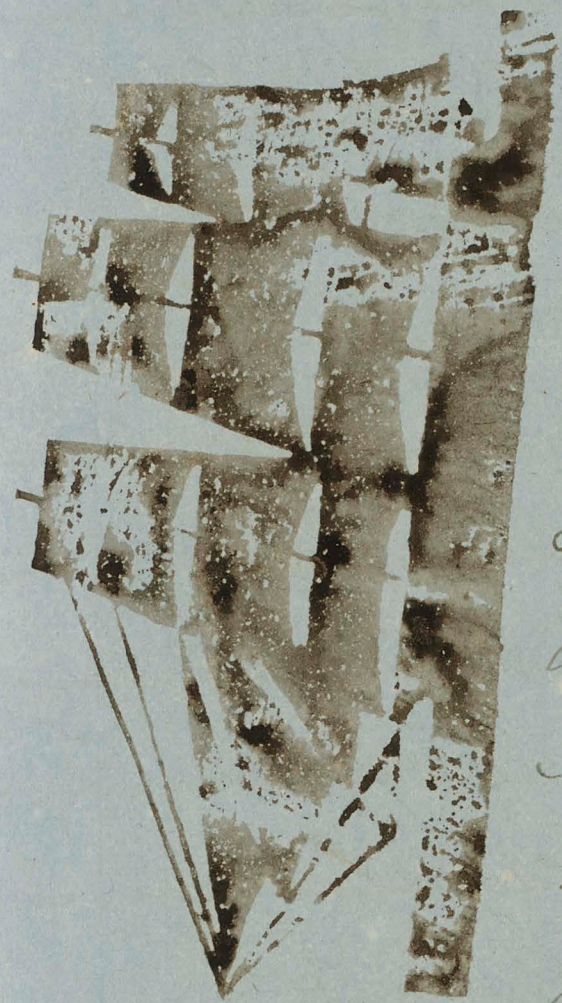
Sunday 27th Commences With strong breezes from the Northward at daylight set Fore top sail kept off steering S.W. at 8 A.M. luffed to the wind heading Eastward saw a ship steering Southward at 1 P.M. took in Jib saw it in Backs light air and variable foggy weather at sun down took in Fore top sail so ends.

Monday 28th Commences With light airs from East ward at daylight Made sail Caught a Porpus and a Logger head turtle Calm Watch employed variously - Capt O's recovering P.M. sprang up a light breeze from the Northward at sun set took in sail. It has been the warmest day we have had for quite a spell

On board Bark John Dawson of N Bedford

Tuesday 29th of November Commences with light
airs from the Northward at day light
began to blow saw a beautiful Rain Bow
double reefed the Fore topsail and set it.
Wind variable wind veered around to the
South ward saw a ship steering North
ward at sun down took in sail on the
Starboard tack heading Westward

Wednesday 30th Commences with light breeze
from the S. S. W. employed repairing
Fore sail at 12 O'clock spoke Bark Sarah
of Mattapoisett
out 130 barrels
until 9 O'clock
at 10 wore ship
S. S. E. light
the Eastward
sails Capt
is well again today is the first day he has
been on deck for two weeks — the Nautical
phrase of visiting is gamming



14 Months
gamed
P. M.
heading
breeze from
took in light
Cornell

Thursday December 1st Commences with light
airs from the Eastward at day light set
light sails saw a steam ship steering
Northward — broke out fore hold for bed
Watch employed drawing and knotting
rope yarns at sun down shortened sail
heading E on the Starboard tack is ends.

Friday 2nd Commences with light airs from
the Northward at day light Wind died away
Calm Him backs came close to the ship
Mr Albert shot a bomb lance into one lowered two boats
put 3 irons into him lanced him sound
and took out 2 tubs of line came on board
shot another but he made himself scarce done
quite a days work lost 250 fathoms of line 3 irons and two
bomb lances, scraped and painted chain plates repaired
main spencer raring washed the ship around inside at sun set
shortened sail heading W. main yards aback at 12 wore ship

Remarks Made by Amos C Baker

Saturday December 3rd Commences with light winds from the Southward main topsail aback heading E. S. E. at day light made all sail kept off steering N. E. employed variously Broke out Flour and meal filled the But caught a Turtle saw Fin Backs at sunset shortened sail heading Westward Wind from the North

Sunday 4th Commences with a light breeze from the North at day light made sail and tacked ship heading Eastward saw a Bark steering westward had Plum Duff for dinner when shall we see a Sperm Whale I wonder how all the folks are at home today I should like whaling better if we could only go home Saturday nights and stay until Monday Mornings but here we are cooped up in an old ship for three or four years and only see the same faces every day no one knows what a Whale voyage is except those that have experienced one at sunset took in sail

Monday 5th Commences pleasant at day light Steward raised four large sperm Whales lowered the Boats the whales were going to windward chased them until 12 o'clock then killed off to lee ward Starboard boat struck one Mr Albert killed the whale slings to the main yard posted the yard came down on deck got the Waist and starboard Boats stove by the whale at sunset got the whale alongside the ship hoisted the main yard up set quarter watches for the night got cutting takels up and cleared up the decks with breezing on blows almost a gale

Lat 34.12 P

Long 50 18 W



This Whale made us 105 barrels of sperm oil

On board. Bark John Dawson of N Bedford

Tuesday 6th of Dec Commences puffed weather at 3 A.M. fluke chain parted fluke rope held the whale at day light. Commences to cut in secured the main yard spoke Bark Moring light of New Bedford and ship keeper of Fair Waven at sun set finished cutting the body except a little of the small Commenced to boil blowing fresh and puffed



Wednesday 7th Commences moderate weather heavy swell on at day light Commenced cutting the head at sun set got the junk on deck & hooked on to the Case and boiled it at 11 P.M. set the watches

Thursday 8th Commences With Moderate weather all hands on deck employed boiling P.M. Cut in the remainder of the whale rainy and squally a ship and a Bark in sight

Friday 9th Commences rainy got a sail over the try works to boil under all hands on deck P.M. began to blow spoke a French Brig saw another Brig broke out fore hold for Casks

Saturday 10th Commences blowing a fresh gale boiling at 8 o'clock A.M. finished boiling Cooled down all hands on deck all day drew the Teeth out of the Whales Jaw and washed the ship

Sunday 11th Commenced with pleasant weather at 10 A.M. spoke Schooner Susan of Sag Harbor 6 months out 300 Whale 65 sperm at 4 P.M. Capt of the Schooner Came on board gained until sundown took in sail Wind died away Calm

Remarks made by Amos C Baker

Monday 12th Commenced Calm at day light called all hands and commenced to stow down oil the Susan in sight Capt of the S. Came on board of us to get some hanks at dark knocked off stowing down fresh breeze from the N. N. E. heading East

Tuesday 13th Commenced with strong breezes from the Northward heading Eastward finished stowing down washed off rigged a guy on the main yard rainy weather saw two sails took the truss off the main yard

Wednesday 14th Commenced fresh breeze from the E. N. E. heading S. E. at day light took waist boat in to repair set the Lib and Loke sail run a fluke rope to get the Rinkes out of it at 2 P. M. finished repairing the Boat and put her out on the Charnes again so on and so forth at sunset shortened sail saw a ship steering Southward so ends

Thursday 15th Commenced with fresh breezes from the E. N. E. at 7 A. M. kept off steering Southward broke out after hold for Rice Beans and towline run two coils of Tow line Mended a fluke chain at sunset took in sail so ends on the Starboard tack heading N. N. W. at 12 o'clock we ship heading Eastward

Friday 16th Commenced with fresh wind from the N. N. E. at day light made sail at 7 A. M. took a new Boat down from the beacons to get ready for whaling at 4 P. M. put the New boat on the Starboard Cranes took the old Boat in and put her on the beacons at sunset shortened sail on the Starboard tack heading N. W. saw a sail

On board Bark John Dawson, of N Bedford

Saturday 17th Commenced with strong breezes from the Northward at day light made sail this is our wash day P. M. rugged and blowing fresh at 4 o'clock raised Sperm whales lowered the Boats but could not get a chance to get fast Came on board and took in fore top sail and fore sail so ends



Sunday 18th Commences rugged with strong breeze at day light raised Sperm whales lowered the Boats Starboard Boat struck and killed a Whale at 1 P. M. took the whale alongside and commenced to cut in at sun set finished the whales body and set boiling Watches for the night saw a sail

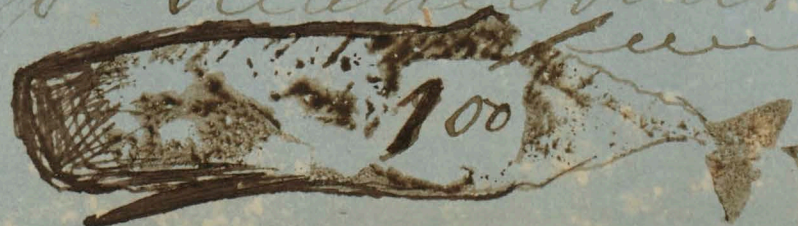


Lat 35.55 S Long 51.19 W
L.B. 70 barrels of sperm oil

Monday 19th Commenced with fresh breeze A M cut in the whales head P. M. bailed the Case and cut up the junk boiling all hands busy

Tuesday 20th Commenced pleasant all hands on deck boiling saw a Bark steering westward

Wednesday Commences with fresh breeze from the North at 7 A M cooled down the works raised Sperm whales lowered the Boats lost run of the whales and came on board again kept off steering Southward at 2 P. M. S Howland raised the whales again lowered the Boats Waist Boat struck a large Whale Mr Albert killed the whale at 5 o'clock took the whale alongside secured the whale set quarter watches for the night got cutting took up Reared out the Boats so on and so forth



Lat 35.54 S Long 50.22 W
W B. 100 barrels of Sperm

Crossing off River Plate

Thursday, 22nd of Dec Commenced blowing a gale at day light Called all hands and Commenced to Cut in the Whale at 12 o'clock finished Cutting the body heavy sea on board the whale out from the ship and Commenced to boil at sun set raining Cooled down stopped raining Commenced to boil again so ends

Friday 23rd Commenced with fresh breezes a heavy swell running at 9 A M spoke Bark Pacific of New Bedford 8 months out 160 sperm and 40 whale at 12 o'clock took the whale alongside and Commenced to cut the head off got the head off and jaw in on deck at 7 o'clock got the watches for the night



Saturday 24th Commenced pleasant after breakfast hooked on to the head at 12 o'clock got the junk in on deck the largest junk I ever saw on deck after dinner hooked on to the Case at 4 P M finished bailing the case got the watches at 8 o'clock spoke the Bark Liverpool of Dartmouth 13 months out 110 sperm

Sunday 25th Commenced with fresh breezes all hands on deck employed boiling stowed down 21 barrels of oil Cut up the Junk, broke out for shooks so on and so forth this is a greasy Christmas to us I suppose the folks at home are enjoying them selves while us poor fellows out here Covered with gurry from head to foot Mr Dunthin is sick

Cruising off River Plate for Sperm Whales 31st

Monday 26th Dec Commenced with pleasant weather all hands employed stowing down oil washing ship cooled down the try works this morning at 9 o'clock stowed down 31 barrells of oil Mr D is off duty today

Tuesday 27th Commenced with pleasant weather all hands employed stowing down oil stowed down about 50 barrells of sperm oil one sail in sight at 7 P. M. raised sperm Whales going to windward made all sail lost sight of the whales saw them three rising Capt Cornell is un well. Mr Duntlin is about the same

Wednesday 28th Commenced with strong wind employed lashing spars over the stern stowing off the fore hold drew the teeth out of the whales saw and washed off decks a Portuguese struck a man over the head with a toggle and knocked him down the fore hold the Capt and Mr D are still off duty saw 3 sails

Thursday 29th Commenced with strong winds from the North ward at daylight masted sail broke out Reef & Bore P. M. raising Cooper employed making Bungs Mr D is getting better Capt is about the same saw a Brig steering Westward at 12 o'clock were ship heading S.W.

Friday 30th Commenced with Pleasant weather a light air from the south ward at daylight Called all hands and commenced to stow down oil at 4 P. M. finished and washed off decks stowed down 45 barrells saw Grampuses saw an old Barrell pass by at sunset Commenced to breeze up from the North ward shortened sail headed West

Cruising off River Plate

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Saturday 31st Dec Commences with strong breezes from the Northward Broke out for Molasses this is wash day saw Samfers and Porpus heading Westward on the Starboard tack

Sunday January 1st 1860 New Year day
Thick Duff for dinner Capt broke water this morning. We Cant have any more boiled Molasses to put on our Duff unless we take it out of our allowance because we get our regular quart a week had some soft tack for supper or hard tack at sun set shortened sail and wore ship heading N. E by E. Thick weather at 12 o'clock wore ship again so ends the second mate was ordered off the quarter deck saw a school of Killers

Monday 2nd Commenced with a gale from the Northward Watch employed scraping Whales teeth P. M. had a heavy Squall furled the fore sail and Clost reefed the main top sail at sun set Moderate

Tuesday 3rd Commenced with strong breezes from the W S W. at daylight made sail A M. Watch employed repairing the Main sail at 10 A M. bent it repaired Putting block straps saw a sail the weather is Cooler to day than it has been for quite a spell Capt is down again to day. Wind hauled around S S W. at sun set Shortened sail on the Starboard tack heading S. E by E. so ends

Wednesday 4th Commences with a gale from the South ward at 1 A M furled the fore sail wore ship I have been to mast head two hours and a half this morning cold enough enough to freeze a fellow

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Cruising off River Plate

Thursday 5th Commenced with strong winds from the N.W. at day light set fore top sail at 9 A.M. took in fore top sail hauled up the fore sail spoke the Back Eugenia of New Bedford 3 months out clear had quite a pleasant gam another sail in sight at sun set wore ship heading N.N.E.

Friday 6th Commenced with a light breeze from the N.W. at day light set fore top sail at 2 A.M. wore ship heading Westward employed variously Chips putting battens on the hatch Combing picking up spun yarn Bungs Making bent spiles at 6 P.M. took in fore top sail at sun set took in fore sail blowing a gale from the Northward at 12 o'clock wore ship

Saturday 7th Commences with a gale from the Northward at day light set the fore sail, there is some queer things on board of this packet at 1 P.M. set fore top sail at 6 took in fore top sail at sun set wore ship saw a sail at 9 took in fore sail pumped ship at 12 o'clock tacked ship Capt is recovering

Sunday 8th Commenced with strong wind from the Northward saw a Hermophedite Brig steering N.E. at day light set fore sail and fore top sail two sails in sight at 1 P.M. made all sail Caught a Partridge at sunset shortened sail

Monday 9th Commenced with fresh breezes from the Eastward at day light blowing a gale at 8 A.M. took in the fore sail at 10. Clost reefed the main top sail raining all the time at 2 P.M. wore ship heading Northward and Eastward at 5 P.M. stoped raining blowing a strong gale after sun set moderated down some heavy sea running

Cruising off River & Plate

Tuesday 10th Commenced with moderate breezes from the Southward heavy sea running at daylight set the Fore Sail A.M. made all sail employed variously at sun set shortened sail nearly Calm broke out Beef and Pork

Wednesday 11th Commenced with Calm at 2 A.M. light airs from the North West were shift heading N. N. E. at daylight made all sail struck a sun fish and the iron dren out and we lost it A.M. employed splicing Fore top mast stay at 11 A.M. took in Flying Jib and Saft top sail at 12 Took in main top gallant sail Wind increasing raised a sail off the weather bow at 2 P.M. spoke Bark Thomas Daniel of Bristol England. at 5 spoke Bark Fort du France of Marseilles Capt went on board stayed a short time the Boats Crew Came back smiling like a basket of chips half burnt up. rainy weather at 4 P.M. under double reefed top sails wore ship at sunset shortened sail on the Starboard tack Wind from Eastward at 11 P.M. held up raining so ends this day

Thursday 12th

Commenced with light airs from Eastward at daylight made sail Caught a Porpus employed variously in ship's duty at 7 P.M. spoke and gamed with Bark Pacific of New Bedford at sun set shortened sail at 9 wore ship

Friday 13th Commenced with a light breeze from the Northward. at daylight made sail saw two sails - employed repairing a Boat & C. saw Grampuses wore ship shortened sail at sun set at 10 P.M. wore ship and took in the Fore sail so ends this day on the larboard tack heading Northward

Cruising off River Plate.

Saturday 14th Commenced with a fresh breeze from the N. W. at day light made sail saw Grampus Mr Albert has knocked under. When shall we get a whale if we dont get a whale before long I shall have the Blues. P. M. doubled reefed the Top sails fished the Main sail tacked ship at 12 o'clock wore ship again at 3 P. M. weather looks bad thunder and lightning from the Northward at 5 took in Fore top sail and Fore sail Commenced to rain this day ends raining

Sunday 15th Commenced with rainy weather wind from Northward at 9 A. M. spoke Bark Terences Mally of Milford, England 3 days from Buenos Ayres bound to London we lowered a boat and went on board Carried letters to be sent home the Capt gave our Capt a box of Preserved Potatoes and our Capt gave him some Blackfish oil in return. Came on board again set the fore sail and wore ship at 10 A. M. held up raining at 1 P. M. set fore top sail strong breeze from the N. E. on the Starboard tack heading N. N. W. at 6 P. M. wore ship heading N. E. by N. at sun set shortened sail cloudy weather had some rain so ends

Monday 16th Commenced with thick hazy weather light breeze from the North west at 3 A. M. Commenced to rain at 4 held up Wind hauled to the South West at day light strong breeze set the Fore sail saw two sails wind breezing on at 11 A. M. blowing a gale took in the fore sail and wore ship heading South ward and East ward so ends this day

Tuesday 17th Commenced blowing a gale from the South ward heavy sea running at 3 A. M. began to moderate at day light light breeze set Fore sail and Fore top sail at 6 A. M. wore ship saw a sail at 7 made all sail watch employed variously drawing and knotting rope yarns at 2 P. M. tacked ship at 3 tacked back again at sun set shortened sail on the Starboard tack heading Westward light air and variable from Southward so ends this day

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Bark John Danson of New Bedford

Wednesday 18th of January Commenced with light
airs and variable at 2 A M. wore ship heading Westward
Wind from the Northward at day light made all sail
Watch employed making Spun yarn & C. saw a sail
P M. Calm at 3 lowered the Starboard Boat pulled
about twelve miles went on board a French Ship from
France bound to Callao the Capt gave us five bushel
of Potatoes we gave him 4 turtle and some Whales
teeth at 7 P M. arrived back again took in sail
light breeze from the Northward on the Starboard
tack heading N. W. so ends these 24 hours

Thursday 19th Commenced With light breeze
from the Northward at 7 A M. made all sail
Watch employed making Swarov Mat picking
up Spun yarn & C. at 8 A M. kept off steering
West S W. at 4 P M. saw a school of Fin Backs at
sun set hove to and sounded found no bottom fresh
breeze from N. E. at 11 sounded again found bottom
44 fathoms white and black sand so ends

Friday 20th Commences with brisk winds from
N. E. steering W by S. half S. at half past 12 A M. hove
to and sounded 37 fathoms white and black sand
at half past 1 sounded again 25 fathoms, at 3 sounded
again 20 fathoms at 4 sounded again 15 fathoms at 5
sounded again 35 fathoms, at 8 sounded again 25 fathoms
at 10 17 fathoms, raised the coast of South America at
5 P M. Came to anchor in 6 fathoms of water at Maldonado
and opposite Saldonado a Brazilian Bark and Dutch
Brig laying here went aboard the Brig and staid a
little while, ~~at~~ 45 fathoms of Chain out six Months and
two days from New Bedford this is the first
time we have dropped Anchor



Cruising off River Plate for Sperm Whales

Saturday 21st Commenced with brisk Winds from the Eastward at daylight Called all hands Washed off decks lowered the Starboard Boat Capt went on board the Brig and took the Capt of her. Went on shore staid all day bought two Pigs several fowl and a few vegetables gave the Boats crew 25 Cents to divide between them to get their dinners with. at 10 A. M. an English Frigate Came in and anchored at sun set Came on Board and got under weigh with a strong breeze and fair wind took the Anchors on the Bow and lashed them

Sunday 22nd Commenced with brisk Winds thick weather at 1 A. M. set Main sail and shook reefs out the Top sails at 7 unbent the Cables from the Anchors set Main top gallant sail flying Jib and East top sail put the Craft in the Starboard boat at sun set double reefed the Top sails Wind from the North ward on the Larboard tack heading Eastward

Monday 23rd Commenced with light airs from the Northward at day light Made sail Stowed down the Cables broke out Fore hold so on and so forth Watch employed making Sprungarn at sun set Calm shortened sail these twenty four hours ends with Calm and Cloudy weather

Tuesday 24th Commenced with Calm at day light Sprung up a light air from the Eastward on the Starboard tack heading Northward A. M. at day light made sail watch employed making Sprungarn P. M. washed off the Bulwarks at sun set shortened sail

Wednesday 25th Commenced with light breeze from the Eastward at day light made sail saw two sails at 6 tooked ship set light sails at 7 tooked again saw two more sails at sun set took in sail on the Larboard tack heading Eastward

Bark John Danson of New Bedford
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Thursday 26th of January Commenced with fresh
winds from Northward at daylight made sail at
6 A.M. tacked ship at 9 tacked again at 16 spoke
Bark Benjamin Cummings of Dartmouth four Months
out 130 sperm gained until dark had a pleasant gain
saw a sail steering Southward, Main Royal back stay
sprayed shlyced it and set it up again

Friday 27th Commenced with fresh wind from the North
at daylight the B.C. and another sail in sight made
sail at 5 tacked heading Westward the weather looks raining
Capt Cornell is sick again P.M. foggy Weather Watch
employed making spun yarn V.C. at sun set took
in sail at 12 o'clock a Bark passed us steering
S.W. so ends this day

Saturday 28th Commenced with fresh breeze
from the North at daylight made sail foggy
Weather strong breeze on the Starboard tack heading
Eastward at sun set shortened sail Moderate breeze
drizzly weather Wind from the N.W. so ends this day

Sunday 29th Commenced with drizzly weather
Moderate breeze from Westward at daylight made sail
Steward is sick and I am acting in his place and
its punishment to me for I never was cut out for
a steward but I hope it won't be long that I shall
have to fill his place — at 7 A.M. kept off steering
Eastward at twelve braced up on the Starboard tack
at sun set shortened sail heads S.E. Wind from
the Southward wore ship heading Westward at twelve
twelve o'clock wore again

Monday 30th Commenced with strong winds from
the S.W. at daylight made sail broke out fore hold
for Coffee broke out water at 12 wore ship took
in the main sail at sun set shortened sail
on the Starboard tack heading S.W. Wind from
the Southward Capt Cornell is about the same

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Cruising off River Plate for Sperm Whales

Tuesday 31st of Jan Commenced with a light air from the Southward heavy swell on. at day light made all sail watch employed variously at sun set wind died away furled the Main sail at 9 P M. clewed down the sails at 11 a light breeze sprang up from the N.W. made sail braced around the yards on the Starboard tack heading Westward so ends this day

Wednesday February 1st 1868. Commenced with light winds from the N.W. at day light set the Main sail watch employed repairing Flying Jib guys making sennette & C. at sun set shortened sail on the Starboard tack heading Westward so ends this day

Thursday 2nd Commenced light wind from the North at daylight made sail employed overhauling blocks at 7 A.M. turned the Starboard Boat up to paint her painted the Boat at sun set shortened sail so ends this day

Friday 3rd Commenced with fresh breeze from the Northward drizzly weather at 1 A.M. wore ship heading Eastward rainy weather at day light made sail turned the Starboard boat down at 6 A.M. wore ship P.M. breezing on. rainy. took in fore top sail and fore sail at 4 P.M. close reefed the Main Top sail blowing a gale from the N.E. at 12 o'clock wore ship heading Eastward so ends this day - a Vermophedide Brig passed us steering Eastward

Saturday 4th Commenced with a gale rugged weather and rainy at daylight set close reefed Fore top sail shook one reef out the main at 8 A.M. took in Fore top sail close reefed the Main at 10 blowing a hard gale. wind hauled to the Westward at 2 P.M. set close reefed Fore top sail put up preventer braces kept off steering Northward saw a sail steering Northward under close reefed Top sails at sun set luffed to the wind on the Starboard tack at 12 o'clock wore ship so ends this day

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Sunday February 5th Commenced with a Moderate gale from the Westward at day light shook one reef out the Top sails set Fore sail kept off steering N E by N. at 7 A M. it is with ~~melancholy~~ painful feelings we have to record the melancholy accident that occurred on board a Pig got choked with a piece of gristle the Pig died and then stuck to save his life at 2 P M kept off N N W. at sun set shortened sail luffed to the wind on the Starboard tack wind moderating

Monday 6th Commenced light air from the South East at day light made sail at 7 kept off steering N N W watch employed fitting a new Main top sail runner and Fore top sail runner at 4 P M. raised Sperm Whales lowered the Boats got within 8 fathoms of one twice but the whale was too shy for us to strike the whale had a scar on his Starboard side where he had been struck at dark Came on board shortened sail on the Starboard tack heading N W. by N. Wind from the Northward and Eastward at 11 wore ship heading East. the Whales were going about S W. at 12 took in Fore top sail breezing on so ends this day.

Tuesday 7th Commenced with strong winds from Northward and breezing on at 3 A M. Bark passed us steering Eastward. wore ship heading N W by W. at day light made sail broke out after hold for Beef and Pork - at 8 A M. wore ship heading Eastward at 12 kept off steering S P W. opened the Slop Cask this morning and ~~tailors~~ have some Nantucket Board Cloth - at sun set shortened sail luffed to the wind on the Starboard tack heading N W. one sail in sight

Wednesday 8th Commenced with fresh wind from the North at day light made sail. saw White water at 6 wore ship. Commenced to break out Fore hold to stow down some oil - all hands on deck stowed down 18 barrells of Sperm oil broke out a new Fore top mast stay sail. steering Westward at sun set luffed to the wind on the Starboard tack. strong wind from the Northward so ends this day.

Thursday 9th Commenced with strong winds from the N. at daylight, made sail Watch employed variously bend a New Fore top mast stay sail fitted newendants at 12 O'clock tacked. Raised a sail. a Brig steering Southward at sun shortened sail so end

Friday 10th Commenced with fresh breezes and variable Cloudy Atmosphere at 2 A.M. Wore ship at daylight made sail kept off steering N.N.W. Cooper employed repairing Oil Casks. A.M. Watch employed repairing Main Spencer finished it at 12 O'clock bent it saw a Brig and a Ship steering about N.E. at 5 P.M. tacked and took in all sail except Close reefed Main Top sail and Fore top Mast stay sail. Weather looked bad

Saturday 11th Commenced with light breeze from the Southward at daylight made all sail kept off steering N.East. saw a sail astern at sunset tacked and shortened sail end With a Calm. or I almost forgot some one stole an egg out the Arch

Sunday 12th Commenced. Calm at daylight saw a sail. at 6 A.M. light breeze sprang up from the made all sail - it is a beautiful day I should like to beat home and go to Meeting - (not only go to Meeting but to see some of my Lady Acquaintance. And the old folks at home but many a day will pass before I shall see that day We want 700 barrels more then we will give her the Rites and steer for New Bedford. P.M. Calm. Caught 104 small fish at sunset shortened sail a light breeze sprang up from the Northward

Wm. G. May 22
taken
on board

1860

Monday 13th of February Commenced with light wind from the Northward at day light spoke Ship Harriet & Jessie of Boston 62 days from New York bound to San Francisco We lowered a boat and went on board Capt got some papers - made sail at A.M. employed putting a reef band in the Spanker at 2 P.M. spoke Ship Lophyr of New Bedford 2 months out clear gamed until 9 o'clock P.M. saw Killers and Grampuses saw 3 other sails

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Tuesday 14th Commenced with strong Wind from the Northward at 1 wore ship heading E N E, at day light set Fore sail Wind died away made all sail employed repairing Last Top sail at 1 P.M. raised breeches off lee beam kept off for them heavy swell on nearly Calm at sun set took in sail at 12 o'clock wore ship so ends

Wednesday 15th Commenced with light breeze from the E S E, Wind increasing at day light strong breeze made sail employed setting up Main Top Mast and Top gallant back stays saw a sail off lee quarter at sun set tacked and shortened sail at 12 wore ship heading Eastward so ends this day

Thursday 16th Commenced with strong breeze from the Northward made sail at day light, shortened the shing to the Main yard, Capt took the Mast head from 7 to half past 9 A.M. Watch employed variously at 12 o'clock tacked P.M. Capt. C and Mr. A. had some pleasant conversation at sun set shortened sail and tacked ship the weather looks fair at 9 set Tibb and Spanker

Friday 17th Commenced with fresh Wind from the N N E. at day light made sail strong breeze Watch employed overhauling blocks at 10 A.M. commenced to rain wore ship clewed up and clewed down at 12 furled Fore top sail at 9 P.M. took in Fore sail - reefed the Spanker



Saturday 18<sup>th</sup>. Commenced with strong Wind from the N.E. at day light set Fore Top sail & fore sail tacked ship heading Eastward at 6 A.M. set Main sail and Gibb under double reefed top sails. Charles gave a long relief at the Wheel this morning because he wanted to put his clothes in soak. P.M. saw white water at sun set shortened sail and wore ship this day ends with strong Wind from the Northward —

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> Commenced cloudy overcast weather at 2 A.M. wore ship heading Eastward at 10 wore again. We can't see nothing that looks like a whale and I am getting the blues. I wish I could get a letter from home I guess my folks don't think much of me if they did they would write to me we have seen 4 ships lately from home but no letters for me at 2 P.M. Wind hauled to southward and commenced to rain this day ends raining.

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> Commenced raining Watch employees catching rain water I believe we are going to have a flood! A.M. stopped raining kept off steering Northward blowing a gale at 4 P.M. scrubbed decks. heavy sea running rowling heavy ships water over both pails, at 5 luffed to the wind on the Starboard tack heading Eastward saw a sail off lee beam on the Starboard tack

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup>. Commenced blowing a light gale at day light made sail wind more moderate at 6 A.M. tacked ship and shook the reefs out the Main Top sail watch employed fitting a New topping lift for Spanker boom at 2 P.M. had all sail set main royal stay parted put up another at sun set shortened sail on the Starboard tack heading S.E. Wind from the S.P.W.



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Wednesday 22nd of February Commenced with light  
airs from the S<sup>W</sup> at sun rise made sail at 6  
unbent the Spanker to put another reef band in it  
tacked ship heading Westward at 11 A. M. tacked ship  
bent the Spanker at sun set shortened sail the weather  
looks bad at 9 P. M. furled fore top sail at half past  
11 Close reefed the main top sail

Thursday 23rd Commenced with a fresh gale from  
the W<sup>W</sup> laying to under close reefed Main top sail  
fore top mast stay sail and Main Spencer at 6  
A. M. wore ship set reefed spanker 4 men aloft  
if there were a hundred Whales around us we could  
not lower a boat for one, a boat cant live in this  
sea

Friday 24th Commenced blowing a gale from the  
Southward at day light moderated strong breeze at 6  
A. M. made sail at 12 o'clock fine weather wind  
from Eastward steering Westward at sun set shortened  
sail luffed to the wind on the Starboard tack at 12 P. M.  
wore ship so ends this day

Saturday 25th Commenced with a fresh breeze  
from the Eastward at 4 A. M. wore ship  
at sun rise made sail P. M. saw a sail off weather  
quarter at sun set shortened sail on the Starboard  
tack heading Northward at 10 wore ship heading  
Eastward so ends this day

Sunday 26th Commenced with strong winds from  
the N. E. at 6 A. M. set fore sail at 7 furled it again  
p. m. - the weather looks bad I wonder how the weather  
is at home today at sun set close reefed the fore  
top sail at 8 tacked ship at 11 tacked again so ends  
this day



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Monday 27th Commenced With strong Wind from the Northward at day light squally at 7 P.M. furled Fore top sail and fore sail set the fore top sail at 8 furl it again raining all the time at 9 close reefed the Main top sail and reefed the spanker at 11 set fore sail at 12 held up plaining after dinner set Fore top sail close reefed shook one reef out the main raining at times steering N by E. at sun set steered N.E. wind from the W.S.W. at 9 P.M. furled the Fore sail at 11 luffed to the wind on the Starboard tack heading Southward

Tuesday 28th Commenced With strong Winds from the W.S.W. at sun rise set fore sail shook one reef out Fore top sail at 7 set Jibb and spanker and Mainsail the weather looks squally at 8 took in the Main sail again at 11 shook the reefs out the main top sail at 1 P.M. single reefed the Main top sail at 3 close reefed the fore top sail at 4 double reefed the Main top sail love new Wheel ropes saw 5 sails at sun set put her under close reefed Main top sail reefed spanker fore top mast staysail and Main spanker on the Starboard tack heading Westward - John Sinkham Came aft and made a complaint about not having enough to eat Capt said they would get what the saw fit to give them

Wednesday 29th Commenced With a light gale from the S.W. at sun rise set close reefed Fore top sail and fore sail kept off steering NW at 9 appraised White-water Watch employed shortening staysail pendant, so on and so forth at 1 P.M. luffed to the Wind on the Starboard tack heading Westward at sun set wore ship and shortened sail this day ends With light airs from the S.W.



1860 March 1st

Thursday ~~2nd of March~~ Commenced with light airs and Calms at day light made sail. Broke out after hold for Rice Cheese Onions &c. at 7 A.M. finished breaking out employed repairing Cabooes Cores &c. This is the finest day we have had for weeks but we cant see a whale that is the worst of it at sun set shortened sail on the Starboard tack heading Eastward Wind from the Northward at sun set Commenced to breeze up at 12 O'clock furled Fore top sail blowing strong so ends this day

Friday 2nd Commenced with strong Wind from North at day light wore moderate at 11 A.M. shook reefs out Main top sail, steering S. S. E. Wind from N. Watch employed variously in ships duty at 1 kept off S. S. W. set Main top gallant sail and shook reefs out Fore top sail at sun set shortened sail and luffed to the Wind on the Starboard tack

Saturday 3rd Commenced with strong winds from the Northward at 2 AM saw a sail at day light broke out Beef and Pork at 7 set fore sail at 11 furled the Foresail again heavy swell running PM Rainy Weather at sun set Close reefs Main Top sail furled fore top sail

Sunday 4th Commences fresh Winds from Westward at day light made sail at 7 AM made all sail Wind light Latitude at 12 O'clock 33. 52 S. We cant see anything that looks like a whale at sun set shortened sail on the Starboard tack heading Eastward at 12 PM wore ship and took in Fore top sail blowing strong from the N. N. E.



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Monday March 5th Commenced with a gale from NNE. the weather looks dubious at 9 AM close reefed the main top sail and wore ship blowing a gale PM. rain set fore top sail and fore sail at 6 PM took them in again at 12 O'clock wore ship so ends this day

Tuesday 6th Commenced with strong winds from the Southward overcast weather saw a Brig steering NE. employed strapping blocks at 1 PM. took in fore top sail and fore sail at 4 wore ship at sun set blowing a gale

Wednesday 7th Commenced blowing a gale from the ENE. at 2 AM. wore ship heading NE at 7 wore ship again wind moderate set the fore sail took it in again at 10 o'clock set fore top sail raised a sail to windward at 1 PM. shook one reef out the main top sail at 5 gamed with ship Lephyr she has taken a sperm whale since we saw her that made them go barrels gamed until 10 o'clock at 12 wore ship so ends this day the Z in sight

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Thursday 8th Rainy weather weather strong breeze from the Northward at 7 set the fore sail took one reef out the main top sail at 11 raised white water to windward shook one reef out fore top sail set flying jib and gaff top sail at 12 raised the Lephyr wind moderate at sun set tacke ship and shortened sail at 12 wore ship so ends

Friday 9th Rainy weather it rains 32 days out of a month in this part of the globe often when I have shoes out and its raining hard I pity those poor fellows at home that are going to parties and kissing the girls and another thing they are often tempted from the paths of virtue while us out here have nothing to lead us astray except when we have to close reef the main top sail raining pitch forks and blowing great guns then we are tempted to swear a little but we never do



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Saturday 10th of March

And variable

Pleasant weather light airs and variable this is the first pleasant day we have had for quite a spell there is a whale ship in sight ~~maneuvering~~ we don't know whether she is whaling or not and we have not wind enough to get to her but perhaps we shall get a breeze this afternoon - Oh dear how I wish we could see a sperm whale I have got the blues and soon shall have the horrors if we don't see one before long. P. M. braced the yards round several times at dusk shortened sail and hauled main yard aback set a light in the Mizzen rigging the ship to windward did not come down but the ship fueled Jib spanker and fore sail, a fresh breeze from the Northward

Sunday 11th Commenced with a fresh breeze from the Northward at sun rise made sail on the Starboard tack heading N.E. at 6 A. M. Kept off steering S.E. a sail in sight to windward, I guess I shant go to meeting to day - I would like to meet a large sperm whale - we would lower down our Boats and salute him. at 10. A. M. had a heavy squall clawed down and chewed up double reefed the main top sail it rained like fury drops as large as hens Eggs - at 11 wind died away Calm at 12 sprang up a breeze from Southward at 5 P. M. spoke Sp. Christopher Mitchell of New Bedford 43 Months out 22 barrels of whale and 100 sperm jammed until 8 o'clock - wore ship at 12 o'clock the C. M. in sight set fore sail Jib and spanker

Monday 12th. Pleasant weather at 8 o'clock Capt C. went on board the Christopher Mitchell we have all our letters aboard of her to go home. Sam sent an old pair of trousers to his folks. I shall be glad when the day comes for us to square away for home the C. M. is bound home at sun set shortened sail on the Starboard tack heading South West



Tuesday 13th Commenced with a fresh breeze from the Southward at sun rise made sail - wind increasing a sail in sight to windward at 11 A. M. spoke Ship Brunswick of Dartmouth. 3 and a half Months out 200 sperm had letters for us but put them aboard of the ship India yesterday its just our luck at 12 passed another sail at 3 P. M. Commenced to break out the after hold for Beef & Pork weather looks bad rained at sun set shortened sail on the Starboard tack heading Eastward. set up a Pig sty between the try works and main hatch.

Wednesday 14th Commenced with a moderate gale from the Southeast at 2 A. M. wore ship heading S. at day light made sail at 8 shook reefs out the top sails squally and rained at 11 raised a sail at 1 P. M. double reefed the main top sail a large merchant ship passed us to windward, saw the Brunswick at 4 tacked at sun set shortened sail on the Starboard tack heading Southward

Thursday 15th. Commenced with light airs from the E. S. E. at sun rise made sail unbent the foresail to repair it at 4 P. M. finished it and bent it - Calm - at sun set a light air sprang up from the Eastward shortened sail

Friday 16th Commenced with light airs from the E. N. E. at sun rise made sail unbent the Main sail to repair it at 2 P. M. bent the Main sail at sun set shortened sail at 11 tacked heading E by S. after 4 o'clock John Portugee got the ship aback cant kept him at the wheel until 12 o'clock at night perhaps its right, but I dont think it is but I didnt shift to think at least not aloud so mums the word

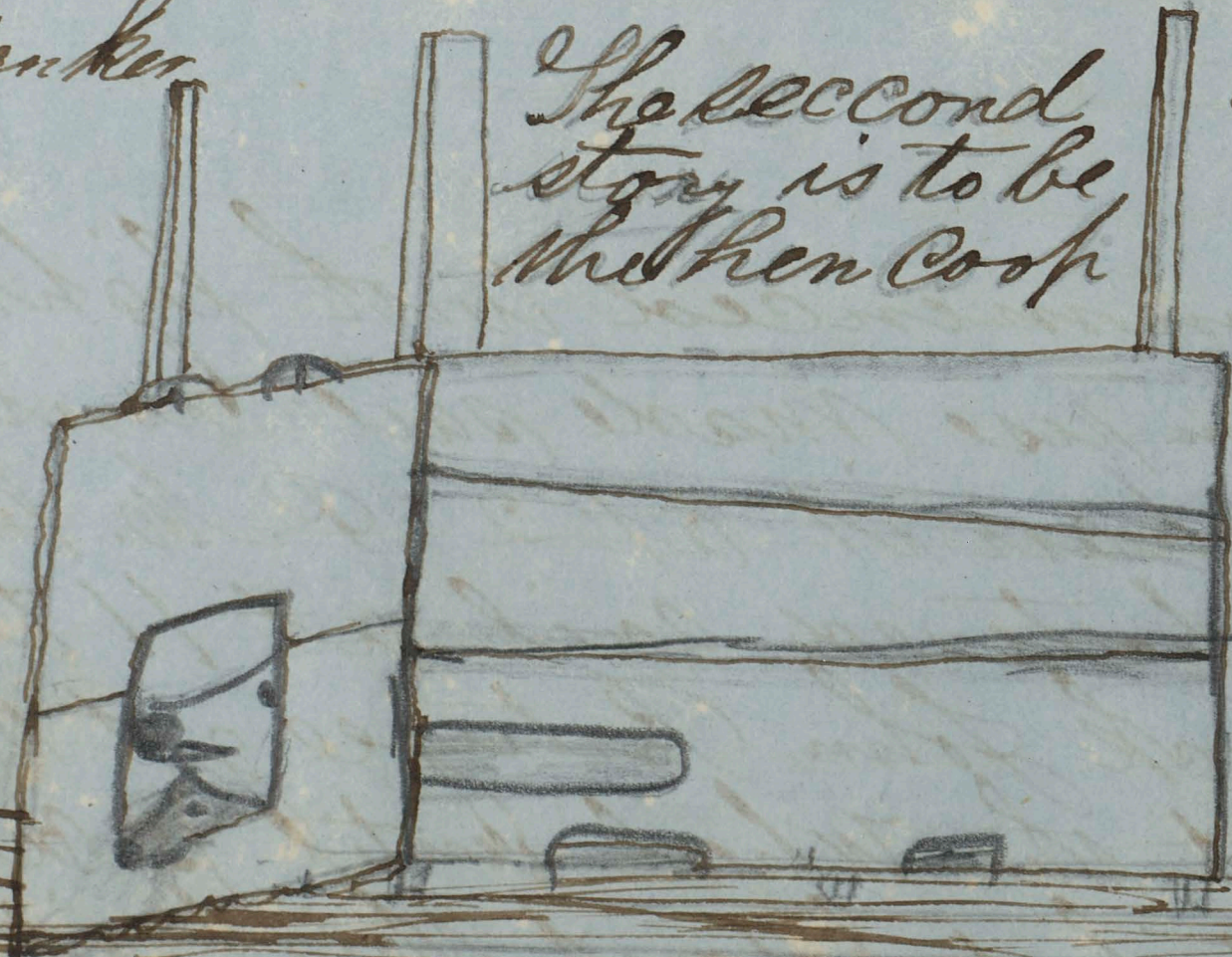


1860

Saturday 17th of March Just five years ago to day I arrived home from my first voyage little did I think that day I ever should be caught awhaling again but here I am just as soon as when I began. well I ought to be content for there's many a poor fellow worse off than I am — well we've got a strong breeze from the Eastward at 7 A.M. raised spouts run for them at 9 saw them again proved to be Grampuses when shall we see those welcome fish Sperm whales at 10 spoke Ship Zephyr gamed until 8 P.M. at 11 wore ship

Sunday 18th It is a beautiful day we are steering S.W. Can't see anything that looks like a whale saw Grampuses at sun set shortened sail luffed to the wind on the Starboard tack heading S.E. at 12 o'clock wore ship heading N.W.

Monday 19th Commenced with fresh breeze from the N.E. at daylight made sail strong breeze saw a spout but could not make out what it was supposed it to be a Grampus at 10 A.M. Called all hands furled the fore sail and close reefed the main top sail kept the watch on deck long enough to wet them through then sent them below at 12 blowing a gale raining at times P.M. wind increasing reefed the spanker at sun set blowing a heavy gale



View of the Hog pen and hen Coop on board the Bark John Dawson as it looked half finished on the 19th of March in a gale of wind off River Plate.



Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> of March Commenced with a gale from the N.W. at day light more moderate made sail and wore ship set Main top gallant sail and took it in again all hands employed working on the Wog house and then observatory it will be complete about the first of next month. at 2 P.M. tried to tack could not so we bore hauled her around at sun set shortened sail on the Starboard tack heading S.W. Cooper is on his beam ends.

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> Commenced with a moderate breeze from the Northward at day light set the Courses. at 7 shook reefs but the top sails spliced flying jib pendants Cooper has not shown any signs of recovery yet at 3 P.M. double reefed the top sails furled the main sail fitted a new fore Royal stay on Wog house and Wog roost is finished it draws a great deal of attraction Mr D says he's going to buy it and make an omnibus out of it all he wants is a donkey. at sun set shortened sail on the starboard tack at 12 o'clock wore ship

Thursday 22. I am twenty one years old to day now I am my own man how time slips away yesterday I was a little boy — this is not a very pleasant day we are steering East wind from the West put up a new fore Royal stay this fore noon at 5 P.M. raised a sail at sun set shortened sail and luffed to the wind on the Starboard tack heading south east ward at 10 Came on squally clewed down Main top sail at 12 furled fore top sail and close reefed the main blowing fresh and squally



1859

Friday 23rd of March Commences rainy and squally at 2 A. M. wind shifted round to the Southward braced round the main top sail at 3 blowing a gale and raining at day light raised a sail at 6 wore round at 7 kept off steering S. N. E. the sail proved to be a steamer steering Westward, at 8 set the fore sail squally and rainy blowing a gale at 1 P. M. took in the fore sail and luffed up. East at 5 saw a large Merchant ship steering about W. S. W. under close reefed top sails and reefed fore sail, at 6 reefed the main top sail over again luffed to the wind, how I do pity those unhappy folks ashore such times as these are

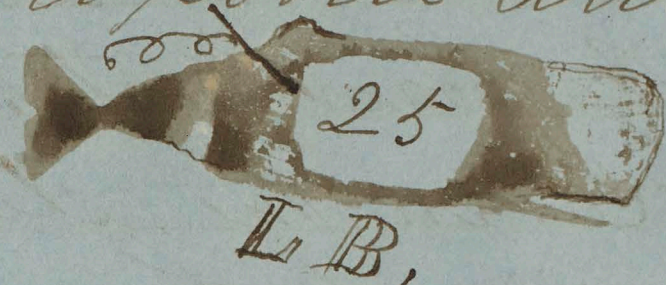
Saturday 24th Commenced with squally weather at day light set fore sail and fore top sail at 7 A. M. shook two reefs out the top sail Moderate breeze from the Southward, on the Starboard tack heading Eastward

Sunday 25th Commenced with fresh breeze from the Southward at sunrise made sail squally weather I wonder if it is squally at home today I guess I could make good weather of it if I were there I'm losing my appetite for I can't eat mince pie and I seldom eat Ice cream or Cream Cakes Sam is just as hearty as an Elephant Mince pie don't turn his stomach I wish I was so - Capt C is on his beam ends again - at 1 P. M. wore ship at 3 wore again at sunset shortened sail on the Starboard tack heading N. E. ward

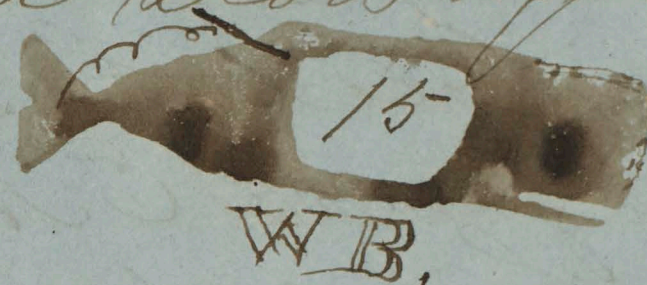
Monday 26th Commenced squally and rainy at day light made sail raised spouts proved to be sea Caps after breakfast broke out Corn & Coal from the blubber room set light sails. I watched with Capt four hours last night he is no better, we are on the starboard tack heading N. N. E. at half past 6. PM tacked heading Eastward I guess we are bound off



Tuesday 27th. Commenced with light airs from the N.E. ward at 4 A.M. tacked at day light saw a large ship steering S.W. saw Porpoises the first we have seen for months. Capt is about the same at 7 A.M. Sam Howland raised Sperm whales lowered the Boats about 10 o'clock Larboard Boat struck waist Boat struck another at 2 P.M. got them alongside and cut them in finished cutting at 9 in the evening rugged weather set the watch employed breaking out the Blubber room and stowing down the Blubber



L.B.



W.B.

Lat 33 34 S  
Long 46 30 W

Wednesday 28th Rugged and rain close reefed the main top sail unrove cutting gear at 10 wore ship rainy weather Can't boil after dinner cleared off. Commenced to boil and cut up horse pieces Wind from the N.N.E. on the Larboard tack heading Eastward. Capt. C. is about the same

Thursday 29th Wind hauled to the W.N.W. steering N.E. at day break rainy at 7 A.M. fine weather set whole top sails and main top gallant sail. fine breeze. all hands on deck employed boiling & clearing away the Whales heads and cutting cutting up junk. I hear the Capt is a little better

Friday 30th. At 1 A.M. Cooled down the work and put on the fat lean - light wind from S.W. steering N.E. employed clearing up the decks at 10 A.M. raised a sail - if I were at home I should not be here if I had known as much the day I signed my name to this ships articles I should not be here now although I get along very well. but there's too much partiality shown to suit me still I can't say I'm misused the amount of it is I don't give them a chance to use otherwise than good



1860

Saturday 31st of March Commences with Calm  
run two tubs of line braced the yards around several  
times so on and so forth. A M. sent down Main  
Royal yard bent the sail and sent it up again  
put up new Main royal back stays and head stay  
at sun set light air from E N E. on the starboard  
tack heading Northward at 10 P M. set main  
royal

Sunday April 1st. Overcast weather and drizzly  
Mr Roberts fooled the Starboard watch this morning  
light breeze from the E N E. on the starboard tack  
heading Northward at sun rise took in Main royal  
I've got the blue devils I wish I could feel as I used to  
last voyage never mind this voyage won't last forever  
put up preventer Main top gallant back stays this  
forenoon at sun set commenced to breeze on drizzling  
took in light sails at half past 10 set them again the  
lee Cat head is a stranger some times, heading N

Monday 2nd Commenced with brisk wind from  
the E N E. at half past 4 A M. Carried away spanker  
gaff took in light sails at sun rise more moderate  
thick drizzly over Cast weather fitted the spanker  
gaff again set the light sails employed repairing  
an old fore top sail at 3 P M. tacked at 6 tacked  
again wind increasing heads N N W. close hauled  
took in light sails

Tuesday 3rd Brisk wind from the N E by N. at  
3 A M. tacked heading E by N. close hauled  
on the Starboard tack employed repairing fore  
top sail after dinner unbent fore top gallant sail  
to repair it at 4 P M. unbent fore top sail  
and bent another in its place at dark bent  
fore top gallant sail again. heads E N E.  
at half past 9 came up to N E by N. so ends  
light breeze



1860  
 Wednesday 4th. Commenced with light baffling winds set the main royal at day light took it in steering N.E. by N. Employed fitting new main top gall back stays and head stay after dinner took down the old ones and put the new ones up wind hauled to the S.W. Coopers one Cask of oil ready to stow down at sun set, set the main royal

Thursday 5th. Pleasant weather all hands employed stowing down oil at 3 P.M. raised a sail at 5 finished stowing washed off the decks stowed 41 barrels of sperm oil. steering N.E. by N. at 2 P.M. steering N.E. wind from the S.E. Edward at sun set. set the main royal Mr Dunthin is unwell

Friday 6th. Fresh breezes from the Eastward employed sending up studding sail booms bending studding sails. stowing cutting falls down fore hatch at day light took in main royal at sun set. set it again put up prevented fore top gall back stay — Sam is rather unwell I expect we shall all be sick before long. Mr. Wickes has commenced to write letters to send home from Bermuda I shant begin yet awhile. we are on the Starboard tack close hauled heading N by E. I wish the wind would come fair.

Saturday 7th. Light airs hot sultry weather wind from the N.E. Edward. at 1 A.M. tacked at sunrise took in main royal at 9 tacked again at 2 P.M. tacked again saw two sails at sun set. set the main royal. we're all getting sick I wish the wind would come fair for I want to get in to port. Sam is no better Mr D is about the same Mr A is rather unwell my health has been good so far I hope it will continue to be good. at half past 10 tacked again



1860

Sunday 8th of April Pleasant weather hot sun  
saw a Brig at 1 A M steering Eastward at half  
past 2 braced around the yards at 10 A M. raised  
a sail at 6 A M. tacked, Sam and Mr D. are  
getting a little better. at sounded no bottom  
at 65 fathoms

Monday 9th. Not sultry weather light air from  
Eastward employed setting up Main top gallant  
stays knotting rope yards W.C. at 12 o'clock tacked  
heading Southeastward at 5 P M tacked again  
at 9 A M. sounded no bottom at 65 fathoms  
saw ~~two~~ sails one of them a steamer. our sick  
ones are about the same - at 11 sounded no bottom  
at 12 sounded no bottom so ends

Tuesday 10th Not sultry weather at 1 A M  
sounded no bottom at 65 fathoms at 3 sounded  
no bottom at 5 sounded no bottom Cooper went  
to work before daylight Mr A sent him to  
put on Scotchman Cooper sail he turned the  
scotchman heels up and made him fast  
at daylight saw Land Coast of South America  
at half past 6 tacked with says he is going to  
set up a tailors shop when he gets to Bermuda  
Cooper says he never was drunk but twice the  
first time and last A M. employed repairing  
a top sail light air from the E. N. E. P M. light  
air and Calm at 5 Washed off our little  
rig died this afternoon with says he had  
the blind staggers braced round the yards  
heads N. N. E.



Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup>. Hot sultry weather light air from the Northward wore ship on the Starboard tack heading Eastward employed repairing a top sail I guess we're in the Devil's pocket for we can't get a fair wind and the sun is hot enough to roast a fellow P. M. Calm finished the top sail at 4 am bent the main top sail bent the one repaired in its place at 6 set fore top mast studding sail and main top gallant studding sail. light air from the S. E. at 7 sprang up a light breeze from the E. S. E.

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup>. Hot sultry weather light breeze from the E. S. E. saw several sails one a steamer employed serving top gallant backstays and setting them up at 1 P. M. took in studding sails wind baffling at 4 raining and squally at 5 set studding sails again sounded 39 fathoms white sand - raining and squally so ends

Friday 13<sup>th</sup>. Hot sultry weather wind variable Calm at times. employed variously repairing off main top gallant backstays put a cask of water in the But broke out after hold for Beef and Pork saw 3 sails at 4 P. M. sounded found no bottom at 12 set studding sails

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup>. Warm weather. wind variable Calm at times at day light took in studding sails saw several sails at 3 P. M. set top mast and top gallant studding sails bent a lower studding sail at 4 set it filled the Harness Cask with Beef and Pork at sun set set main royal light air and variable



1860  
Sunday April 15th. Hot sultry weather Calm  
light airs at times several sails in sight Latitude  
at 12 o'clock <sup>Lat</sup> was 17.12. south. Long about 37 deg W.  
At sun set set the main royal at 7 P.M.  
took in lower studding sail hauled at the fore sail  
Calm so ends this day

Monday 16 Calm Hot weather 8 sails in  
sight Employed fitting the truss to the main  
yard - getting things ready to wet the hold at  
1 P.M. Capt took a boat went on board of  
an American Bark Came back at 4. The  
vessel belonged to Boston from Rio bound  
to New Orleans at 4 o'clock wet the oil for the  
first time at 6 set lower studding sail and  
main royal at 7 took in the lower studding sail  
the name of the Bark was Leone of Salem

Tuesday 17th. Light airs and variable employed  
stripping fore top gallant shrouds at 10 A.M.  
lowered the Boats for a school of Killers but  
could not get on to them Came on board at  
11. 15 sails in sight. we are on the Starboard  
tack close hauled heading Northward

Wednesday 18th. Pleasant weather fresh breeze from  
the Eastward on the Starboard tack close hauled  
employed setting up fore top gallant rigging so on and  
so forth. several sails in sight afternoon light airs  
temporary showers of rain At sun set set main  
royal fresh breeze heading NNEward



Thursday 19th. Pleasant weather close hauled on the Starboard tack heading NE by N. employed stripping fore top mast rigging putting on pattens &c on V.C. making spungum saw two sails

Friday 20th. Pleasant weather light winds from the Eastward employed stripping fore top mast shrouds making spungum &c. at 4 P.M. wet the hold at 6 set studding sails had a rain squall at 7 one sail in light. at half past 7 took in studding sails

Saturday 21st. Pleasant weather light winds and variable at 7 set studding sails blowing fresh at 8 wind died away. saw two sails at sun set took in studding sails set main royal wine light from E.S.E.

Sunday 22. Pleasant weather light wind on the Starboard tack heading NEward at 4 P.M. kept off steering NE half E. set studding sails at 11 took in studding sails so ended

Monday 23. Pleasant weather employed in fitting a new bold to the spanker gaff stripping fore top mast rigging at 4 P.M. wet hold &c on and so forth. light breeze from the E.S.E. on the Starboard tack close hauled heading NE

Tuesday 24. Pleasant weather employed putting pattens on the fore top mast rigging strapping blocks &c light wind from the Eastward on the Starboard tack close hauled



Wednesday 25th of April Pleasant weather at  
sun rise raised the island of Ferdinand Noronha  
Lat 3.53. South. Long 32.25 West. passed within about  
5 or 6 miles to westward of it. employed rattling the  
fore top mast rigging stripping main & C. at 9 AM  
set lower studding sail kept off steering N by W.  
light wind from the E & E ward. Several sails  
in sight one a steamer steering south west at  
4 PM took in lower studding sail PM. had  
temporary showers of rain. at 2 PM lost sight  
of the Land this day ends with variable wind  
with temporary showers

Thursday 26th Pleasant. broke out fore hold for  
water and bread at half past 8 spoke Bark  
Amazon of Fair Haven 42 Months out 1500 whale  
300 sperm board home gamed until dark I lined  
aboard the N had water soaked duff for stoves  
one other sail in sight

Friday 27th. Commenced with squally and  
rainy weather at day light saw 3 sails off  
lee beam employed making spun yarn stripping  
main top mast rigging at sun set breeze sprang  
up from the Southward set lower studding  
sail at 4 PM. wet the hold this day  
ends rainy & squally

Saturday 28th. Commenced pleasant light wind  
from the S E ward steering N by W. at sun  
cloudy rain at times saw one sail this day ends  
calm and cloudy



Sunday 29th. Calm weather rain at times. shall we ever get a fair wind I hope so before long for I want to get in port we are nine and a half months at sea its time we were in port. at 4 P.M. raised 3 sails at 8 a light breeze sprang up from the N.E. ward on the starboard tack heading N by W.

Monday 30th Cloudy weather light breeze from the N Eastward. employed making sword mat rattine fore top gallant rigging squally and rainy saw four sails at 4 P.M. wet the hold

Tuesday May 1st 1860 Cloudy weather fresh breeze from the N.E. steering full and by on the starboard tack employed making sword mat making scrub broom teeth so on and so forth Lat  $2^{\circ}02'N$ . Long  $35^{\circ}46'W$ . this day ends with strong winds at dark set studding sails. saw two sails

Wednesday 2nd. Strong wind from the N.E. Close hauled on the starboard tack heading N.N.W. employed putting rattines on main top mast rigging and fore rigging Lat  $4^{\circ}13'N$  Long  $37^{\circ}27'W$

Thursday 3rd. Brisk trades from the N.E. ward on the starboard tack heading about N by W. employed putting mat on the main top mast rigging stripping it V.C. Lat  $6^{\circ}49'N$  Long  $39^{\circ}00'W$ .

Friday 4th. Brisk trades from the N.E. Close hauled on the starboard tack. employed putting rattines on the main top mast rigging Mats V.C. at 4 P.M. wet hold - Lat  $9^{\circ}27'N$ . Long  $40^{\circ}55'W$ . at 2 steering N.W. by N. set studding sails



1860

Saturday May 5th. Brisk trades from the NE steering NW by N Lat at 12 M. 11.58 N Long at 10 A. 43.34 W. this is our wash day so the watch on deck have been employed washing their dirty clothes when shall we get to Bermuda Nam in a hurry for I expect to get a letter when we get there at 4 PM. lower studding sail yard broke took it in bent on another yard and set it again at 10 took in lower studding sail braced the yards a little wind hauled Northward a little

Sunday 6th. Brisk wind from NNE steering NW by N one year ago I arrived home from a 43 months voyage little did I think at that time I should be here now. but here I am and here I must be for a spell. None but those that have experienced a whale voyage know the Misery of a spouters life here we are deprived of society friends and home here we are beating the blue sea day after day all we can see is blue water sometimes we see a sail causes a little excitement if it be a whale ship or when we fall in with a sperm whale then its hurraw boys - at other times every thing seems dull. Lat at 12 M 14.37 N. at 2 PM squared the yards a little set lower studding sail Long 45.58<sup>W</sup>  
45.58

Monday 7th. Light wind from the Eastward pleasant weather employed putting rattines on top masts rigging taking down J C. Lat 16.28 N. these twenty four hours ends with light airs

Tuesday 8th. Commenced Calm employed making sword mat at 4 PM. a light fair sprang up from NEward. set up Mizzen top mast back stays took down Mizzen to gallant back stays spliced them and put them up again set them up so on and so forth



Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> of May 1860 Light air & Calm. Boat men employed drawing yards putting pattines on the riggin. Steering down S.E., nothing in sight. Time passes dull. I wish we could see a sperm whale.

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup>. Light air and Calm. one ship in sight. employed taring drawing rope yards putting pattines on the riggin. Capt & Mate employed making draw water bucket. we are busy at the present but for all that time passes very dull with me. I don't know how it is with others. they are all writing letters to send home from Bermuda but me. I am going to wait until we get there and <sup>see</sup> if there are any there for me. if there is none for me there it's precious little writing home I am going to do.

Friday 11<sup>th</sup>. Light wind from the S.E. ward a large Merchant ship in sight. we are steering NW by N. employed taring putting pattines on the riggin. had some paulduff for dinner. God sends grub and the Devil sends cooks — time passes awful dull.

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup>. Pleasant. This is our wash day but instead of washing the watch is employed taring riggin for a change putting on pattines after dinner put up another top. Mast studding sail boom shifted over the studding sails this day ends squally shifted the studding sails over again on the Starboard tack steering NW by N. Lat 20. 43 N. Long 51. 44 W. two sails in sight. ~~afternoon a fine breeze from the S. Eastward so cold~~



Sunday 13<sup>th</sup>. Fresh wind squally steering NW by N  
at daylight saw a sail wind variable from N. Eastward  
at 12 took in studding sails rainy afternoon  
a fine breeze from the S Eastward & ends this day  
Lat at 12 m. 22.00 N. AM watch taring down

Monday 14<sup>th</sup>. Light wind from the S Eastward  
employed taring putting on rattines &c. a large  
Ship in sight &c. employed scraping painting  
slushing and oiling so on and so forth this day  
ends with light fair Lat at 12 M. 24.17 N  
Long 55.00 W

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> Fresh wind from the South west  
at 4 AM. shifted studding sails over employed  
scraping cleat eyes and painting them, scraped top  
mast and top gallant masts. Slushing painting  
scraping taring Lat 25.47. N Long

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup>. Fresh wind from the S W. in  
the morning squally took in lower studding sail  
all hands employed breaking out fore peak for  
Shoaks at 12 o'clock finished P.M. watch below  
the watch on deck employed scraping varnish  
ing made new ring stoppers slushed down the  
S masts wind hauled ahead took in studding  
sails ends with light baffling winds Lat 28.07  
Long 58.47 W

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup>. Light winds and variable  
saw a Bri<sup>g</sup> steering south. ward all hands  
on deck employed scraping and washing ship  
at 9 AM tacked P.M. plained the royal mast  
all hands washing and scraping and many other  
things too tedious to mention At 7 AM set studding  
sails at 8 took them in again close hauled on the  
Starboard tack steering NW half W Long 59.20 W  
Lat 29.05 N



Friday 18th. Commenced with a light breeze from the W.N.E. set studding sails at 3 A.M. The fore topmast studding sail boom got adrift and went over board boom iron and all took top gallant studding sail close hauled steering NW half W. employed scraping spade poles pumped a cask of water. Afternoon thick foggy weather saw a merchant ship steering about W.N.W. took down the Lorry yard from fore royal mast at 4 wet hold washed off after supper sent up fore royal yard Lat 29° 30' N. Long 60° 31' W.

Saturday 19th. Baring wind from the S.E. steering NW half N. watch employed catching rain water at 1 P.M. wind hauled round to westward took in studding sails breezing on took top gallant sails Lat & Long (not observed) at 5 P.M. doubled reefed fore top sail at 6 set main top gallant sail & flying jib at 10 took them in again at 11 hauled up mainsail so ends

Sunday 20th. Baring squally strong wind from the W.S.W. ward at day break set main sail main top gallant sail flying jib and gaff top sail at 7 shook reefs out fore top sail A.M. raised the island of Bermuda at 11 took a Plot at 12 Came to an Anchor P.M. all hands employed washing ship. At dark Came to anchor again I received two letters from home one from Wm Penn the other from Mary Jane & Eliza. I believe I have store but that's nothing.





1860

Monday 21st. of May at 7 in the morning Pilot  
Came on board Commenced to wa. l. again at 9  
Came to anchor off St Georges. washed the ship around  
out side in the afternoon Painted around the Starboard  
side furled the sails Mr D. Mr W. Sam and  
myself all went ashore and spent the evening  
but we did not get out till before  
nine o'clock

Tuesday 22nd. Pleasant weather at seven  
this morning the Starboard watch went on  
shore on liberty the Starboard watch employed  
painting ship & setting up shooks. I heard  
some very nice music this morning from an  
English steamer that came from Hamilton

Wednesday 23rd. Pleasant weather Starboard  
watch on shore on liberty Starboard  
watch employed doing nothing much I guess

Thursday 24th. Queens of Englands birth day  
Starboard watch ashore Starboard watch employed  
cutting up old ship timbers Coiled, my  
line & C.

Friday 25th. Pleasant weather Starboard  
watch on liberty Starboard watch employed  
getting a raft of Casks ashore to fill with water  
the Brig Globe of Philadelphia was sold  
at auction today we got one boat load of wood  
from her fore top mast and fore yard  
Mr Wick and me went to Hamilton rode  
in the mail coach had our Ambrotypes taken  
went to a fair had Ice cream and lots of  
good stuff



Saturday 26th. Pleasant. Starboard watch on liberty. Starboard watch employed getting water aboard. got a fore top mast and fore yard belonging formerly to the Globe sawed the main yard up.

Sunday 27th. Starboard watch on liberty. I attended the Methodist Church in the forenoon. Came aboard in the afternoon. Commenced to blow.

Monday 28th. Blowing fresh all hands aboard. I am under the weather to day. employed stowing down water put some copper on in the waist got some Coal on board and two Casks of water.

Tuesday 29th. All hands on board employed getting wood on board and stowing it away. took the sails out the pen and put them in a Cask.

Wednesday 30th. Starboard watch on liberty. Starboard watch employed variously.

Thursday 31. Starboard watch ashore. starboard watch employed getting off onions potatoes Coal. hove up starboard anchor after supper Capt took boat went outside aboard Brig Amelia of Mattapoisett 5 2 days out 65 sperm.



1860

Friday June 1st Pleasant Brig Amelia of Mattapoisett and schooner Tartar of Wal. fax came in to an anchor the schooner had lost her main mast - Starboard watch ashore Larboard watch employed getting Potatoes aboard picking them over got a barrel of Coal so on and so forth with hold

Saturday 2nd Pleasant weather Larboard watch ashore on liberty starboard watch cleaning ship to receive visitors so on and so forth

Sunday 3rd Pleasant all hands aboard except the first and second mates they have gone to Wamitto shipped 5 new men got them on board 6 of our crew has taken French leave

Monday 4th. Caught one of the runaways at 10 got under way and went to sea Capt went ashore again. Bark laying off and on outside at 6 PM spoke Bark Lyle of Dartmouth

Tuesday 5th Fresh breeze from the Westward Capt came on board at 10 o'clock went ashore again at 1 PM Came aboard again at 3 Kept off steering S N E. under double reefed top sail at sun set luffed to the wind on the starboard tack close reefed fore top sail furlled the fore sail chose watches J.C.

P.S. at 2 PM double reefed the top sails laying off and on



Wednesday 6th. Strong Wind from the  
at day light Reft off steering at A No  
luffed to the wind on the Starboard tack  
at sun set close reefed the main top sail at 11  
wore ship at 12 furled the fore top sail blowing  
a gale so ends

Thursday 7th. Blowing a gale from the South  
Westward When shall I be myself again before  
long I hope we have six new men forward I wish  
it would come good weather but wishing wont do  
no good we are punning off now steering NE ward  
I hope we shall get some oil before this Cruise is up  
at 9 PM luffed to the wind again on the Starboard  
tack saw Black fish

Friday 8th. Raining and very rugged at 11 A No  
set fore top sail close reefed When shall we have  
good weather I me sick and tired of this kind of weather  
at 4 PM wet hold washed off decks saw a sail at  
sun set furled the foresail and luffed to the Wind  
on the Starboard tack so ends

Saturday 9th Raining and blowing a gale from the  
S S West. reefed the spanker and set it and  
furled the fore top sail at 4 PM wore ship raining Wind  
from the S W heavy sea punning

Sunday 10th. Moderate Wind from the W S West  
at day light set fore top sail shook one reef out the  
main Reft off steering Eastward at 12 M. raised  
a sail when shall we get a Whale Whats the difference  
between a Sailor in jail and a blind man one Cant  
see to go the other Cant go to sea at 3 PM spoke Bark  
Solon of New Bedford 20 days out 15 barrells of sperm game  
until 9 o'clock I got 3 letters and 2 shipping lists and glad  
was I to get them



Monday June 11th. thick hazy weather fresh breeze from the S.W. steering East. ~~The Solon and another sail in sight~~ Can't see any thing that looks like a sperm whale at sun set shortened sail and luffed to the wind at 12 more ship so ends the Solon was in sight this morning

Tuesday 12th. Fresh wind from the Westward we are now on the whale ground once more the question is where are the Whales saw a sail this morning have been all day on deck to day making a Booby for the old man at 12 o'clock more ship so ends

Wednesday 13th. Fresh Wind from the Westward at sunrise made sail on the Starboard tack heading Southward Employed fore top sail brace blocks and fore brace blocks breaking out after hold for Paint oil P.M. kept off steering Eastward shook reefs out the main top sail light breeze lashed the Cutting pendants to the head of the main mast so on and so forth saw a sail this morning but Can't see any thing that looks like a whale at sunset shortened sail

Thursday 14th. Calm at sunrise made all sail Employed painting the Boats fitting boom piron and band on the end of the fore yard After 4 PM Capt lowered his boat for Black fish but did not get fast at sun set shortened sail

Friday 15th. Thick hazy rainy weather broke out fore hold for Flounders at sunrise made sail at 12 o'clock blowing a gale laying to under close reefed main top sail main spruce and fore top mast stay sail afternoon more moderate set close reefed fore top sail Jib & Spanker and sail in sight off lee beam at sun set shortened sail at 12 more ship so ends this day



June 1860  
 Saturday 16th. Fresh wind from the Eastward & day light  
 made sail at 7 A.M. wore ship this is wash day  
 I wish it was Whale day after dinner tacked, raised  
 a small white water (proved to be jumpy) at sun set  
 shortened sail on the Starboard tack heading Eastward  
 at 11 close reefed. Main top sail weather looking bad, so  
 ends this day

Sunday 17th. Moderate gale from the Southward at  
 set close reefed fore top sail & fore sail raining at times  
 A.M. set rib & sprinker I wonder how the weather is  
 at home now I should like to be there just to see all the  
 folkses - thick hazy weather at sun set shortened  
 sail on the Starboard tack

Monday 18th. Thick hazy weather, raining at times  
 after breakfast made all sail on the Starboard tack  
 heading Southward fresh wind from the W.S.W.  
 broke out for Coal fish Cooper employed making a  
 keg soon & so forth. P.M. breezing on at 2 double  
 reefed the top sails at sun set shortened sail on  
 the Starboard tack heading Southward 11 months  
 out to day wet hold at 4 P.M.

Tuesday 19th. Blowing a gale from the W.S.W.  
 at 7 A.M. took the quarter Boats on the upper cranes  
 reefed the Sprinker and set it P.M. Capt got his  
 Pistol up shooting at a mark all the match in the  
 waist looking on shipped a sea some run one way some  
 another Capt lost his Caps got wet through Mr Wicks  
 fell down the sea took him full and by Mr Albert stood  
 still and did not get wet some got wet through  
 and some didn't and so goes the times at 4 P.M.  
 set the fore sail moderating Ends with light breeze  
 from the W.N.W. Leary & well



1860  
Wednesday 20th of June Light airs pleasant weather  
employed making second boat scotch men & C  
at 12 raised a sail P M passed a Bark. at 4 took in  
light sails at sun set shortened sail on the  
Starboard tack at 12 wore ship

Thursday 21st Strong wind from the S Westward  
at daylight made sail at 6 kept off steering N E.  
at 11 A M. luffed to the wind on the Starboard tack  
took in fore sail and fore top sail raining and blowing  
a gale from the Westward P M reefed the spanker and  
set it took in main spencer raining at 9 P M. wore  
round

Friday 22nd. Fresh wind from the S Westward  
at sun rise made sail kept off steering N E  
employed overhauling and fitting quarter Blocks to  
the fore topsail yard so on & C. Can't see a whale  
at 4 P M. wet hold and washed off at sun set  
shortened sail on the Starboard tack heading Southward

Saturday 23rd Thick hazy weather at daylight  
made sail A M. cleared off some at sun set  
shortened sail on the Starboard tack heading Southward  
Can't see anything that looks like a Whale

Sunday 24th. Moderate breeze from the S Westward  
steering South East made sail at daylight. I made  
the Latitude at 12 M. 33.58 N - at 4 P M spoke  
Bark Sun of Nottaforsitt. 20 Months out 550 sperm  
saw a Brig steering Northward thick hazy weather  
at sun set shortened sail gamed until 9 sounds  
Calm

Monday 25th. Light airs from the North Westward  
Bark Sun in sight employed this morning, steering S E  
ward saw Grampuses at sun set shortened sail on  
the Starboard tack heading East ward wind from  
the N N E ward wet hold



Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> of June Calm thick hazy weather saw  
Grandpurses Employed knotting rope yarns so on VC  
at sun set double reefed the fore top sail & furlled the main  
sail had some very good singing in the evening

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup>. Commenced Calm Employed putting  
a mat on the Jib stay saw Grandpurses A light breeze  
sprang up from the S<sup>W</sup>ward after dinner lowered the Boats  
for Black fish but came on board at 2 without success  
at 4 raised spouts off weather beam Could not ascertain  
what they were lost sight at 6 raised spouts to lee ward  
run for them but could not see them again shortened  
sail at 9 luffed to the wind on the Starboard tack  
took in Jib Spanker & hauled up fore sail so on

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup>. Fresh wind from the W S W steering  
E N E Employed making spungarn over hauling Black  
VC at sun set shortened sail steering E by N. hazy  
weather

Friday 29<sup>th</sup>. Light breeze from the Westward steering E by N  
at day light kept her E N E Employed variously in  
ship duty at 4 P M not hold but at sun set shortened  
sail steering E

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup>. Fresh breeze from the Westward  
steering E by N. after dinner lowered the Boats for Black  
fish but could not get near them enough to get  
fast came on board at 2 P M. saw more Black  
fish at sun set furlled the main sail double reefed  
fore top sail at 11 luffed to the wind hauled up  
fore sail took in main top gallant sail main  
yards aback on the Starboard tack



Sunday July 1st 1860 - Fresh winds from the Westward at 2 A.M. more came to on the starboard tack main yard aback at sun rise kept off steering E by N. set main top gallant sail P.M. hauled up fore sail and took in main top gallant sail ran white water at sun set shortened sail at 10 luffed to the wind on the starboard tack & hauled main yard aback so ends

Monday 2nd Fresh wind from the S.W. at day light set main sail Broke out fore hold for water and slops for the sailors at 9 kept off steering E by N. at 4 P.M. met hold at sun set furlled the courses Lat 35-14 N Long 45-30 W

Tuesday 3rd Strong breeze from the S.W. steering E by N. at 6 kept off N.E. set fore sail employed overhauling Windlass falls painting iron work &c at sun set blowing a gale from the S.W. took in all sail except close reefed main top sail fore top mast stay sail main spencers & reefed spanker

Wednesday 4th of July Blowing a gale from the Westward at sun rise set close reefed fore top sail at 7 set jib at 9 took them in again more heading N.W. ward raining at 12 set jib fore top sail fore sail I hope the people at home are having a better day than we have and I hope they are enjoying themselves better than our poor unfortunate beings although Sam and me have had some Lardines and something else that's good but I can't help pitying those unfortunate chaps at home today because no knowing they might get shot or kilt in some other way, while we are out here no danger of getting shot or getting into bat Company P.M. made more sail Wind moderating down - steering S.W. Wind veered around to the Northward at sun set shortened sail and luffed to the wind on the starboard tack at 11 P.M. more heading N.W. ward so ends



Thursday 5th of July 1860. Light breeze from the North at day light made sail at 6 A.M. kept off steering south Employed breaking out after hold for Molasses a cask of Beef and one of Pork at sun set shortened sail and luffed to the Wind on the Larboard tack heading N Westward. Can't see any whales all we can do is to make sperm and scrub docks

Friday 6th. Fresh winds from the Westward at 2 A.M. more heading S.E. at sun rise made sail at 6 more heading N Westward Employed making sperm yarn & C at sun set shortened sail - A.M. saw a sail steering S Westward.

Saturday 7th. Foggy hazy weather at day light made sail at 1 P.M. hooked heading S Westward made more sail thick weather fresh breeze from the Westward at sun set shortened sail

Sunday 8th. Foggy fresh breeze from the N Westward. Sam has <sup>been</sup> striking out his whiskers they remind me of the clown on a Jov. Room what after day light Cleared off at 10 A.M. kept off steering S.S.W. at 12 M. raised sperm Whales at 1 lowered the Boats at 2 Larboard Boat struck Killed the whale and took him along side lost sight of the other two Boats at 6 P.M. raised the Boats came on board set quarter matches for the night got all ready to Cut  
Latitude 36.00 North. Long 43.32 West



Monday 9th. Fresh wind from the N Eastward all hands Employed Cutting in the Whale finished cutting at 12 o'clock started the try works all hands busy Cutting up blubber & C at 2 P.M. more around wet hold made sail at sun set shortened sail again at half past 7 set boiling matches



Tuesday 10th of July Fine weather I don't know  
the wind is and much more I don't care for  
I feel tired and hotfull — all hands  
have been employed boiling and various other  
ways to numerous to mention Saw a sail off weather  
beam there I shant write any more in this days  
work for I'm off to the land of dreams for a spell  
but the worst of it is I've got to turn out in the  
course of 5 hours I pity those unhappy folks at  
home who wouldn't sell a farm to go whaling never  
mind trifles only get the farm there and so

Wednesday 11th Pleasant weather almost a calm at  
3 A.M. cooled down the try works put the fat lean in the pots  
employed clearing up deck washing off G.C. at 7 made sail  
the whale turned up 55 barrels P.M. light breeze from  
the S.W. at 5 gamed with Bark George & Mary of  
Westport gamed until 10 o'clock so ends

Thursday 12th. Fresh breeze from S.W. on the Starboard  
tack heading S.E. Bark George & Mary in sight employed  
variously P.M. tackers gamed with the George & Mary  
at 11 tacked again so ends

Friday 13th. Pleasant weather light breeze from the  
S.W. at 6 A.M. spoke Bark Union of Mattapoisett  
58 days out clean — employed breaking out four  
holds for Bread & C at 10 A.M. tacked several  
sails in sight at sun set shortened sail

Saturday 14th. Hot weather Calm at 12 M a light  
air from the Eastward steering Northward saw one  
sail at sun set luffed to the wind on the Starboard  
tack hauled head yards aback



Sunday 15th. Pleasant weather last Sunday we took a 50 barrel whale I wish we could get another today who know but what we shall before night get there time enough — at 3 spoke schooner Admiral Blake of Lippican 3 months out clean had a fine yarn as good as people at home would say at 10 parted Company at 12 were around 2. Ends

Monday 16th. Pleasant saw the Admiral Blake this morning patch employed Coopering Oil & C making scrub broom teeth — all sail set steering by the wind, heading S W — saw a Brig steering to the N E. met the hold

Tuesday 17th Pleasant one year ago today where was I in the garden of Eden but such is life would I were a Boy again as the song says I'd not come a whaling for a living but I'd learn a trade get a nice little Wife and be as free as a Bird (in a cage) instead of plowing the Ocean but we shant know the difference a hundred years from now at sun sun set tackled Capt C and Mr A. Had some very friendly Conversation

Wednesday 18th. One year out today and taken 500 sperm Pleasant weather all sail set on the wind at 12 o'clock picked up a Boat with the name on her Susan James — Jerry Li Bouteur the boat appeared to be a ships Long Boat at 1 P M tackled at 6 spoke schooner Emerald of Fair Haven 15 months out 300 sperm the Capt came alongside but did not come on board at 9 wore ship several sails in sight

Thursday 19th. Pleasant weather several sails in sight. Employed variously making spun yarn fitting the scuttle on the house — & C. at 5 P M spoke Bark Noe of Dartmouth gamed until 10 o'clock Mr D brought a Fiddle —



Friday 20th of July Pleasant weather almost  
calm employed making spun yarn & C. Met here  
saw one sail at sun set shortened sail on the  
Starboard tack heading E had a beautiful gallop  
in the evening

Saturday 21st Pleasant weather some of our <sup>10</sup> tars  
spit tobacco juice on the taffrel last night and they  
are to show their science by washing her around inside  
at sun set shortened sail on the Starboard tack  
heading W at 12 hauled main topsail aback ~~and~~

Sunday 22nd. Pleasant weather it would be  
a good deal pleasanter if we could only see a whale  
at sun set took in the tops and let her sweat at  
11 PM hauled main top sail aback

Monday 23rd Pleasant broke out fore hold  
for Sugar Flour water and shoes steering NE  
all our Carpenters are employed repairing the Boat  
that we picked up. at sun set saw spouts but  
did not have time to ascertain what they were  
shortened sail luffed to on the starboard  
tack Steward came on deck with his Fiddle  
and we danced and all that could not dance  
waltzed and we had little the greatest shaker  
down out

Tuesday 24th Pleasant employed repairing  
the Boat all hands turned Carpenters except the  
Cook. Cooper employed making a beer Keg & on  
& C



Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> Pleasant weather employed repairing the Boat Cooper making a beer keg so on &c. I mended up my old shoes this fore noon we are steering E N E. wind from the S E. all sail set. at 1 P M lowered the Boats for Black fish but could not get any at 3 picked up a cove of Bees were about 12 rounds after supper covered again for Black fish but could not get near them shortened sail saw a Bark to windward.




Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> Pleasant a large ship in sight to windward - employed making spun yarn repairing Boat &c. at 6 P M saw spouts did not have time to ascertain what they were shortened sail at sun set - steering N E had a fine time in the evening dancing Qu and several shakelowns &c.

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> Pleasant made sail at day light steering N E. Manuel and Bob got to fighting this morning and the old man sent them to the mast head - watch employed making spun yarn &c. at 12 M lifted to the wind on the Starboard tack at 4 P M wet hold at sun set shortened sail saw a sail astern - had a dance in the evening - at 12 more round so ends

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> Pleasant one sail in sight at 7 A M tacked, this is our worst day at 12 saw another sail nothing very remarkable transpired these 24 hours latitude at 12 M 40.02 N. at sun set shortened sail

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> Pleasant weather all sail set on the Starboard tack heading Westward at 10 A M lowered the Boats for Black fish but could not get any as usual Came on board again at 11. a Schooner passed to Windward head to the N E. saw two more sails steering Eastward in the evening gamed with Bark Edmund one month out clear at 12 more round so ends



Monday 30th of July Pleasant weather at day  
light made sail Caught a Porpus two sails in  
sight one a whaler I saw white water  
run for it but did  not see it again  
watch employed making sennet & C at 6 P.M.  
spoke Bark Lappho of New Bedford 3 months  
out clear gamed until 8

Tuesday 31st Pleasant Bark Lappho in sight  
employed variously broke out fore hold for water  
P.M. equally weather saw two sails steering Eastward  
one a Bark with fore top gallant mast gone at  
4 P.M. tacked at 5 tacked athalf past 5 tacked again  
shortened sail at sun set at 12 wore round so ends

Wednesday August 1st 1860 Strong wind from  
the S.E. at 9 kept off steering to the North spoke  
Bark Lappho watch employed making Sennet & C.  
at sun set shortened sail on the Starboard tack  
heading Eastward

Thursday 2nd Fresh wind from the S.E. at day  
light made sail one of the fore top mast stays parted  
employed splicing it several sails in sight —  
saw white water run for it proved to be Grampuses  
at 10 A.M. spoke Bark Sarah of Mattapoisett —  
kept off steering Northward at sun set shortened  
sail and wore around at 12 wore again so ends

Friday 3rd Light baffling wind steering Northward  
employed breaking out after hold for Beef & Pork  
towlane & C finished breaking out at 11 A.M.  
P.M. making a pudder for the Boat wet hold & C  
at 5 covered the Boats for Black fish but could not  
get fast came on board at sunset shortened sail  
on the Starboard tack heading S.E.



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Saturday 4th. Light wind from the South at day.  
Light ran two sails, steering North at 2 P.M. spoke  
Bark Kingfisher of New Bedford 2 months out 170 sperm  
at 4 spoke Bark Liverpool of Dartmouth 22 months out  
120 sperm. Bark Rothschild of Orleans run down so we  
had a regular gam the R is six months out 400 sperm back  
50 sperm at sun down we all shortened sail so on  
WC gamed until 9 o'clock P.M.

Sunday 5th. Brisk wind from the Southward the  
Kingfisher and two other sails in sight on the starboard  
tack. Heading S.E. ward, Lat at 12 M. 41.12 North  
at sun set tacked and shortened sail on the  
Starboard tack heading W by S.

Monday 6th. Strong wind from the Southward  
at day light saw two sails one of them the Kingfisher  
at 4 P.M. met hold tacked at sun set and  
shortened sail on the Starboard tack heading W by S  
at 11 furled fore sail so ends

Tuesday 7th. Fresh gale from the S.S.E. foggy  
weather, under close reefed top sails and fore sail  
heads West. the Bark Kingfisher Astern saw two  
other sails. at 4 P.M. the Kingfisher passed us to windward  
about 40 yards off at sun set shortened sail to  
a close reefed main top sail reefed spanker fore top mast  
stay sail & main spencer blowing a gale and raining.

Wednesday 8th. Commences blowing a gale from the S.S.West  
and raining at 4 A.M. wore ship. wind veered to the Westward  
at 12 most moderate heavy swell. raining at times under close  
reefed top sails and fore sail P.M. moderate at sun  
set furled fore top sail and fore sail



On board Bark John Dawson of

Thursday 9th of August Moderate breeze from the N. employed breaking out fore hold for Main sail and flying jib at 12 bent the Main sail - on the Starboard tack heading westward, at sun set shortened sail at 10 furled the Main sail at 11 tacked

Friday 10th. Strong breezes from the NNE. at 3 AM wore theading East at 7 raised a sail at 7 tacked, PM saw another sail at sun set shortened sail and tacked

Saturday 11th. Fresh breezes at 10 A. M. spoke Bark Tropic Bird of New Bedford 4 months out 230 sperm gamed until 6 PM. I received a letter from Fannie but its a mighty short one but its better than none for I should feel disappointed if I got none at sun set shortened sail on the Starboard tack heading East

Sunday 12th. Light winds from the NNE. on the Starboard tack heading Eastward at day light raising at 8 A. M. Cleared off pleasant several sails in sight at 6 PM spoke Bark Lava of New Bedford gamed until 7 PM. the Lava is clear 6 weeks out

Monday 13th. Light winds from the E steering Westward the Lava in sight. A M. unbent Main topsail and bent another in its place unbent fore top sail and bent the old main top sail in place of that at 11 raised another sail - after dinner Capt C thought the Lava saw Whales so we got our Boats all ready but the Lava saw nothing but Killers we launched our yawl boat and took three loads of wood on board from the Lava at 5 spoke Bark Coriolanus of Noyetic one month out 30 sperm gamed until 10 o'clock PM.



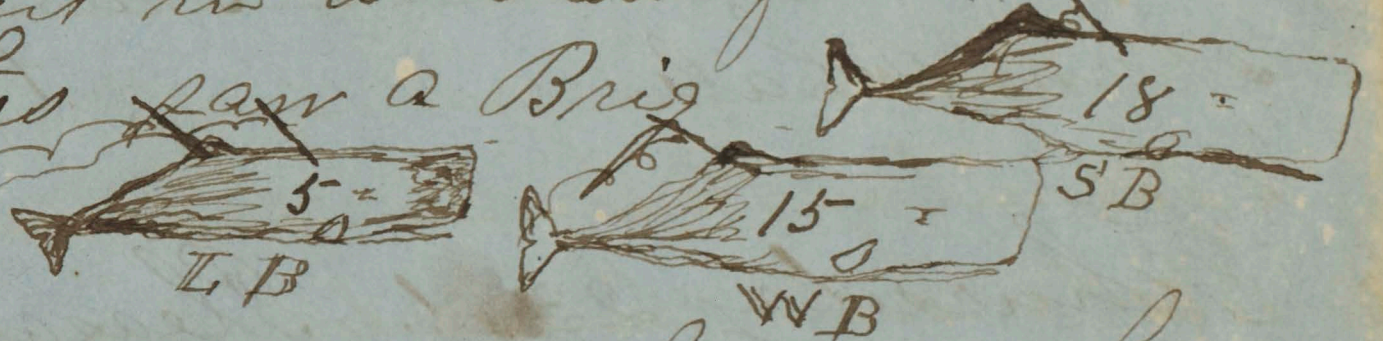
# New Bedford Cruising on the Western ground

Tuesday 14th. Pleasant weather made sail at daylight  
 Landed our large again went aboard the Coriblanus  
 and got a load of wood Came on board more round  
 heaving NW light airs from the NNE. PM fresh  
 winds saw Glampuses at sun down shortened sail  
 at 9 PM close reefed main top sail and furled fore  
 top sail squally weather

Wednesday 15th. Light winds from the ENEward  
 steering by the wind on the Starboard tack Employed  
 repairing fore top sail saw White water and Glampuses  
 but no whales at sun set shortened sail on the Starboard  
 tack heading NEward

Thursday 16th. Light airs Employed mending  
 fore top sail all sail set saw two sails one a Sloop  
 Employed repairing fore top sail and fibb at sun set  
 shortened sail

Friday 17 Commences with strong winds  
 rugged squally & rainy. at 9 AM. raised sperm  
 whales at 10 lowered the Boats waist Boat struck  
 a whale starboard Boat struck another Starboard  
 Boat struck another at 2 PM. took the whales along  
 side and commenced to cut in at dark finished  
 cutting set boiling watches saw a Brig  
 Latitude  $41^{\circ} 37' N$ . Long  $37^{\circ} 06' W$



Saturday 18. Fresh breezes started the try works  
 exchanged Colors with a large American Whipper saw  
 another sail all hands on deck Employed variously  
 cutting up blubber breaking out fore hold for Cakes  
 & Colling & C at 4 PM. more around heading West  
 Wind from the SSW



On board Bark John Dawson of  
1860

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> August Commenced blowing a gale  
rain at times could not boil cooled down the works  
at 11 A.M. started the works again at 4 P.M.  
more around.

Monday 20<sup>th</sup>. Blowing a gale finished boiling  
at day light washed off blacke wet hold so on &c  
at sun set shortened sail on the Starboard tack  
heading W by N.

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> Strong Wind all hands employed  
storing oil down below at 2 P.M. saw a breach made  
all sail but did not see it again at sun set  
shortened sail one sail in sight now the question  
is when shall we get another whale before many  
days I hope

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup>. Fresh breeze from the Eastward  
all sail set on the Starboard tack employed repairing  
starboard boat which was stove by the last whale  
I wish we could see the Ship Sophia Thornton but  
I would rather see a whale at 2 P.M. spoke Schooner  
S.S. Learned of Sagharbon 9 months out 200 bbls of Whale  
and 60 sperm. hauled until 10 P.M. at sun set shortened  
sail saw Spin backs Grampuses and Killers but no  
sperm whales

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup>. Pleasant weather at sun rise made  
sail at 6 tacked. Employed variously put up new  
fore and main royal shrouds at 2 P.M. tacked  
saw a Vermorel ditte Brig so on and so forth



New Bedford Cruising on the Western ground

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> of Aug Fresh breezes from the North  
saw several sails employed making sperm gain  
at 12 M. saw White Water 5 miles off from for it but saw  
it no more. Steward is sick at sun set shortened  
sail

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup>. Light airs and Calm and occasionally  
a squall of rain it is most 11 o'clock A.M. it is my fore  
noon watch below and I've had a good snooze - I guess  
I must commence a letter to Mary Jane or Jennie as  
she calls herself Mr Wicks is down here dressing stewards  
blister Steward is about the same. There is a ship in sight  
a boiling - at 5 P.M. gained with Bark Tropic Bird  
boiling out a 50. blb sperm Whale - at sun down  
shortened sail at 10 furled fore top sail fore sail Gibb  
& spanker this day ends rainy & squally. Steward

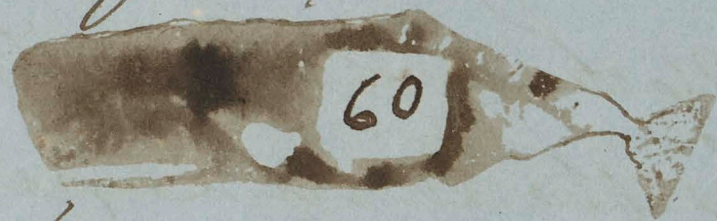
Sunday 26<sup>th</sup>. Strong winds from the S.P.W.  
steering by the wind under double reefed top sails  
at 6 A.M. wore around at 9 tacked. I should  
like to be in New Bedford to day to enjoy the  
Sabbath, but I shall have to see a good many  
Sundays yet aboard the old John Dawson before  
I can be at home. but the question is when  
shall we see a Sperm Whale - Steward is a little  
better to day - saw two sails at 4 P.M. tried to  
tack but old John did not feel inclined to tack  
so Capt C let her go at 5 tried to tack again and  
succeeded at sun set shortened sail at 8 wore  
around gain

Monday 27<sup>th</sup>. Commences with a fresh gale from  
the West



On board Bark John Dawson of

Tuesday 28th. August Blowing a gale from the West at 9 A.M. Milton raised sperm Whales lowered two boats lost run of the whales came aboard at 12.M. at 2 raised the whales again at 3 lowered two Boats waist Boat struck Starboard Boat struck the same Whale Mr Albert killed the whale with a bomb lance Capt lowered his boat came down shot another bomb lance into the whale then Mr A and Capt C hauled up and churned the whale with their lances the whale roaled, fin out and sunk but one boat could keep him from sinking after 5 hours of hard labor got the whale alongside sea running moun- tains high furled sails put the cable on the whale for a fluke chain set boating watches for the night. I had a severe fall from one of the boats over head and as good luck would have it did not break any bones but I did not know anything for some time after I was picked up



W.B.

Latitude 42.28. North. Long 37.30 West

Wednesday 29th. Moderate Wind from the East Ward at daylight Called all hands and commenced to cut in the whale. heavy swell running at 12 got head off and Body in P.M. cut in the head bailed the Case & stored down 30 lbs of sperm oil in the ground tier in the fore hold at 10 set the watches started the try works cutting up blubber &c

Thursday 30 Fine Weather several sails in sight all hands employed Cutting up blubber boiling &c finished boiling the head at sun set. set the watches at half past 5 P.M. at sun set kept off steering S.W. by W



New Bedford Cruising on the Western ground

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> of August fresh Wind from the S E  
Employed boiling PM finished boiling Wet hold so on  
and so forth

Saturday Sept 1<sup>st</sup> Pleasant Weather at day light  
Commenced to break out the fore hold to stow down  
oil at 6 A.M. lowered the Boats for Sperm Whales  
the Whales were going quick Chased them until  
5 P.M. got aboard the ship tired and hungry pulled  
about 60 miles got within 3 days of the Whales  
at sun set tacked at 11 tacked again

Latitude 42.27 N Long 37.26 W

41.25 N 37.10 W

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup>. Pleasant Weather We are all rather  
tired after our excursion yesterday saw White water  
Called it Porpoises I wish some one would  
raise a sperm whale

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup>. Pleasant weather two sails in sight  
all hands employed stowing oil down the fore hold  
all sail set steering by the Wind finished stowing  
at sun set broke out some pelops for our  
Sailors took a pair of shoes 1/6. at 6 P.M.  
tacked


Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup>. Fresh Wind from the South all hands  
Employed stowing down Oil at 11 A.M. spoke  
Bark Tropic Bird boiling out a whale. Mate  
sick. bound into Fayal at 2 P.M. finished  
stowing was head off WC at sun set shortened  
sail this day ends with strong Winds. steering  
W S W

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup>. Strong Wind and squally at  
12 o'clock M. blowing a gale laying to under Close reefed  
main top sail spandy at times these 24 hours ends  
blowing a gale from the NE by E



Thursday September 6th. Blowing a gale  
from the E. N. E. laying to under close reefed  
main top sail at 7 A. M. set Gills and spanker  
wind moderated a little set fore top sail double  
reefed at 1 P. M. shook one reef out the main top sail  
at sun set saw a large school of Sperm Whales  
did not have time to lower the whales were going  
about S. W. furled fore top sail and Gills  
hauled main yard aback



Friday 7th Fresh Wind and rugged unben-  
fore top sail and bent another in its place  
at 6 A. M. Spanker Potter rose sperm Whales  
lowered two Boats Starboard Boat struck  
a whale shot another with a bomb lance  
and killed her the whales brought to but no  
boats there when the boats got there they were  
to late the whales left the one that Mr. A. shot  
sunk at 9 A. M. took the whale alongside and  
commenced to cut finished cutting at 12 o'clock  
braced forward all sail set started the try-  
works L. B.  10 - Latitude 41° 42' <sup>North</sup> Long 39° 30' West

Saturday 8th. Light winds at 7 A. M. rose  
sperm whales finished boiling lowered the boats  
but did not see a whale after the boats were  
lowered at 1 P. M. Came on board without  
success made all sail stood on the Starboard  
tack heading S. W. at sun set shortened sail  
light air and Calms



Sunday 9th. Light air and Calms made  
sail at day light one sail in sight after dinner  
lowered a Boat and went aboard the American Merchant  
Ship Warr of the West. from Liverpool bound to New York  
we sent letters at sun set shortened sail steering N. E. by N



Monday 10<sup>th</sup>. Pleasant weather at 8 o'clock A.M. John Bull rose sperm whales lowered all three Boats chased the whales until 4 P.M. When the Starboard Boat struck Starboard Boat struck the same whale killed the whale with a Bomb lance at 5 took the whale alongside and got every thing ready to cut set Boats crew watches for the night



S.B. Lat 42.40 North  
Long 37.58 West

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup>. Bugged weather at day light Commenced to cut in the Whale at 12 o'clock finished cutting P.M. baled the Case cut up Junk &c at 4 A.M. commenced to boil at sun set blowing a gale at 11 Cooled down the Works raring could not boil - Capt put Mr Albert off duty

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup>. Bugged weather strong Wind from the Westward at 10 A.M. commenced to boil again at 5 wore ship set fore sail all hands employed boiling &c Cooper setting up shooks at 3 P.M. set fore topsail double reefed at 4 kept off steering W by South

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup>. Calm and light air at 1 finished boiling made sail at daylight - all hands employed clearing up and washing off at 10 A.M. finished sent the Verbot below - Capt Cornell is unwell at 4 P.M. took the fat lean out the pots so on &c Mr A on duty again

Friday 14<sup>th</sup>. Light Winds overcast atmosphere all sail set on the Starboard tack heading Westward employed repairing fore sail at 4 P.M. finished it and bent it - I saw several schools of Porpoises but no Whales Capt let our Sailors have some Soap and Tobacco out the Slop Chest



Cruising on the Western Ground  
1860

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> of September. Fresh Wind from the S West. steering by the wind on the Larboard tack employed repairing & mending gallant sail - overcast atmosphere Cloudy at 2 P M finished the sail and bent it. Stacked ship steering S E strong breezes from the W S W

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup>. Commences raining and strong Wind steering S E at 7 A M. Raised sperm Whales lowered two Boats at 10 o'clock. The Whales were going to windward at 12 o'clock Capt lowered his Boat Larboard Boat got within 6 fathoms of a whale twice. but Black fish galled the whale before the Boat got there they were very large Whales Came on board at 5 P M. without success. hard luck hard luck. this day ends With light Winds  
Lat 41.05 N 37 W

Monday 17<sup>th</sup>. Light airs at 3 A M. Tacked Employed setting up & mending gallant backstays Royal backstays &c at 5 tacked lowered a Boat for a piece of Bees Wax turned out to be a piece of Duff this day ends With light baffling Winds

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup>. Light baffling Winds employed breaking out after hold for Beef Pork Water broke out a slop Cask two Wams 12 mackerel No 4 the Wams and mackerel are expressly for the Cabin to good for boat steers to eat it might be the Cause of our death to fall us to high at 1 P M finished breaking out. this day ends Calm



# North Atlantic Ocean

Wednesday 19th. Commences with light breeze from the Westward steering N.W. at 7 kept up N.W. this day ends with Calm

Thursday 20th. Cloudy light air and Calm saw nothing but Porpoise I have been to work all day making a Box for Capt Cornell. Cooper has a sore foot at 9 P.M. breeze sprang up steering S.E. these 24 hours ends with strong Wind

Friday 21st Strong Wind and squally steering S.E. employed variously. I have been to work on the Capt. Box at 4 P.M. Wet hold and Washed off decks double reefed Main top sail close reefed fore top sail reefed spanker furled hbl blowing a fresh gale old John is a walking Wind from the E.N.E.

Saturday 22nd. This day has been composed of fresh Winds strong Wind light Wind and Calm put up preventer fore top gallant back stays and various other things too numerous to mention

Sunday 23rd Light baffling Wind saw one sail braced round the yards several times I Wish I could be at home today if I were I would go to Church but out here on the boundless ocean were deprived of all such pleasures but I hope the day will come when I can go and come as I please here we are penned up in an old ship day after day Month after month and year after year



## Bound to Fajal Western Islands

Monday 24th. of September. Light Airs and Calm  
Employed variously painting a Boat making Anchor  
Buoys Wet hold &c

Tuesday 25th. Light Wind from the Westward  
steering S.E. at 7 A.M. raised Flores and Corvo  
two of the Western Islands — Employed Coopering Oil  
ready to send home saw four Sails P.M. raining  
saw more sails bent Main royal and set it

Wednesday 26th. Light Winds and raining saw two  
sails Employed scraping top masts and plucking  
them painting Boat &c steering S.E. at dark  
spoke Bark Kathleen of New Bedford 8  
Months out. 150 Sperm gained until 10 P.M.  
at 11 raised Pico and Fajal

Thursday 27th Light winds and Calm  
Close in Shore off Fajal at 7 Capt and  
one boats crew went ashore, the rest on  
board employed filling Casks with oil to send  
ashore &c at 12 M got in to the town a  
Lighter came off sent 80 barrells ashore  
at sun set Capt came on board  
laying off and on so ends

Friday 28th. Light Winds at 7 A.M.  
Came to Anchor Commenced to break out  
oil to send home sent barrells ashore  
the Portuguese moved the ship at dark  
stopped work. Bark Ocean of Sandwich Bk  
Civilian of Provincetown Ship Lydia of Fairhaven  
and several Brigs and Schooners laying here



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At Fayal one of the Western Islands  
Saturday 29th. Pleasant weather employed breaking Oil  
and sending <sup>it</sup> ashore the Ship Leaking and Bork  
Mary & Susan laying off and on finished work at  
5 P.M.

Sunday 30th. Starboard Watch ashore on liberty  
Portboard Watch on board busy doing nothing

Monday Oct 1st 1860 Starboard Watch on shore  
Starboard Watch employed getting Potatoes on board  
setting up shooks &c The Starboard watch  
had a glorious good time

Tuesday 2nd Starboard Watch ashore The  
other watch employed getting Cole on board  
setting up shooks &c

Wednesday 3rd Starboard Watch ashore the  
other watch employed variously The Starboard  
Watch had a fine time ashore at least I did  
for one Came on board at dark sang some  
songs and had some Egg and Nog

Thursday 4th Starboard watch ashore  
Starboard watch employed variously sent  
9 Casks ashore to be filled with water  
froke out fore hold and stowed it again  
wet hold &c

Friday 5th Starboard Watch ashore having a good  
time Starboard watch aboard doing nothing  
but drinking Egg and Nog



At Fayal Western Islands

Saturday 6th of Oct Pleasant weather  
Employed getting water aboard and stowing it  
down. Washed the ship inside and out &  
7 men ashore some in the Caliboose and some  
say they won't come aboard

Sunday 7th At 7<sup>AM</sup> one watch went ashore  
Came aboard again at 4 PM. the other watch  
went ashore some staid all night and  
some came aboard I went to the Circus

Monday 8th. I wish we were a thousand  
miles away from land with a large  
Sperm Whale alongside or rather all cut  
it for I don't feel much like working  
to day. I guess we are going to sea I hope so  
at any rate for if we stay here much longer  
we shall all have the horrors

Tuesday 9th. At 9 AM got under weigh  
took the Anchors on the bar and so forth.  
tacked several times the islands of St George  
Graciosa Pico and Fayal in sight  
Wilton Wood. & Wm Robinson are on the  
sick list

Wednesday 10th. St George Graciosa Terceira  
in sight Wind variable saw a steamer bound  
in to Terceira. home home sweet home there  
no place like home



# Bound for Cape Verde Islands

Thursday 11th Fresh breezes the pilot of  
St Michael in sight parted one of the main top  
gallant sheets fore near main top sail braces took  
the old ones for main top gallant sheets Cooper  
employed sitting up shooks, so on and so forth.  
at sun set breezing on and squally

Friday 12th. Strong Winds and squally from the  
Eastward employed variously Cooper sitting up shooks  
so on and so forth

Saturday 13th. Light Winds from the Eastward  
Capt is making a padder for his Boat at 5  
P.M. spoke Bark Ocean of Sandwich one year  
out 530 sperm gained until 9 o'clock

Sunday 14th. Light variable winds steering S.S.W.  
nothing in sight and nothing to write about  
at sun set set main royal

Monday 15th. Fresh wind from the NNE steering  
S.S.W. A.M. broke out fore hold for water  
and studding sails bent top mast and lower  
studding sails and set them P.M. bent  
two main top gallant studding sails and set them  
Cooper employed sitting up shooks at sun set  
set main royal Capt has nearly finished his  
Boats padder

Tuesday 16th. Wind from the NNE steering  
S.S.W. employed variously in ship's duty  
Can't see anything that looks like a Whale



In the North Atlantic Ocean

Wednesday 17th. of Oct 1860. Light wind and variable but 10 A.M. took in top gallant and lower studding sails saw a Fin Back the first one we have seen for a long time Employed making pudders for the Boats. set up fore top gallant shrouds so on and so forth at sun set Capt lowered his boat to try his patcher it worked well Came aboard and set lower and top gallant studding sails When shall we see a Whale.

Thursday 18th. Light variable winds rain at times Employed making pudders Cooper repairing Casks &c. at sun set set main royal  
Sail

Friday 19th. Fresh wind from the S.W. steeping by the wind on the Barbadoes tack Employed making pudders mat &c. Cooper repairing Baskets P.M. Wind hauled to the S.E. Wet hold at sun set set main royal

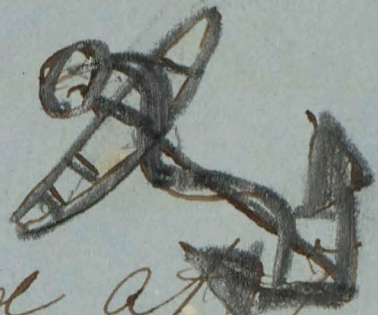
Sat 20th Pleasant weather but no whales in sight

Sunday 21st Pleasant at day light raised the island of Sal one of the Cape Verde islands at 12 raised Bonavesta saw a Bark steering Westward saw Black fish but nothing in sight. What looks like a whale



# Bound for Cape Verde Islands.

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> Light winds and foggy at 20 O'clock M  
raised the island of St Jago at sun set shortened  
sail and luffed to the wind lay ing off an on at  
11 P.M. gained with Bark Klingfisher



Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7 A.M. Came to anchor at Port Paga  
furled sails took two rafts of Casks ashore to be  
filled with water 20 Casks in the first raft and  
14 in the other — I was here 9 years ago the place  
has altered very much indeed sent two Casks of  
Bread and 12 bags of flour ashore two hams & one Cheese

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup>. Took 25 Casks of Water aboard send  
ashore to be filled stored 3 Casks in the after  
hold and 6 in the bloober room got some Oranges  
and Potatoes aboard one man deserted yesterday  
Named Wary Claton

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup>. Strong Wind got 15 Casks of Water  
aboard in the fore noon got 8 turkeys and Pigs  
at 3 P.M. Ship ~~Tahiti~~ of New Bedford Came  
to anchor. we got under weigh set all sail top  
mast and top gallant studding sails main royal  
steering South

Friday 26<sup>th</sup>. Fresh wind from the N.E. steering  
South killed one turkey expressly for the Cabin  
stored down the Cables so on 15 C. steering  
South by West so ends this day

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup>. Light winds hot sultry weather  
took in lower studding sail at 10 A.M. steering  
by the wind swayed up the sails so on and so forth.  
Our Oranges are rotting fast these 24 hours ends  
with a clalm



# In the North Atlantic Ocean

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> of Oct Light variable Winds  
employed bracing yards swaying up sails setting  
and staking in studding sails steering S by West  
at 1/2 P.M. lowered our Boats for Blackfish  
but Could not get near them

Monday 29<sup>th</sup>. steering S by W employed pecking  
and Chattering Anchors Capt making a tool Chest  
for his own tooth - so on and so forth one sail  
in sight off lee beam. saw a Brig to Windward -  
this day ended with Doldrums

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup>. A day light saw two sails off  
Weather quarter, had Eggs and Ham for breakfast  
in the Cabin salt Glunk and hard bread in the  
steerage Capt sold 12 bags of flour in Port Praya  
and now he is stowing us to make it up  
saw several more sails so on and so forth I wish  
we could get some oil for I want to Come home

Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup>. Light variable winds attended  
with temporary showers of rain broke out fore hold  
for Flour Corn & Coffee. Capt still at work on  
his tool Chest several sails in sight &c

Thursday November 1<sup>st</sup>. 1860. Nine years ago today  
I started on my first voyage a Whaling Where shall  
I be Nine years from this Who Can tell. We are steering  
by the Wind what little there is. I hope we shall get  
across the equator before long there is several sails in  
sight but no Whales When shall we hear the joy full  
news of there she blows at 4 P.M. Wet hold after  
suffer from fin backs



# Bound for River Plate

Friday November 2nd / 1860 Fresh breezes and squalls  
Employed breaking out after hold for Beef & hogs  
two Wild Ducks lowered a Boat and picked them  
up - steering full and by. Capt still at Work on his  
tool Chest

Saturday 3rd. Fresh breezes from the S E by S. steering  
by the Wind on the Starboard tack heading S W by S  
one sail in sight Wet hold at 4 P.M.

Sunday 4th. Fresh Wind from the S Eastward  
steering full and by saw Black fish and 4 sails  
Duff and soft tack for dinner passed the equator  
some time this forenoon We are now in South Latitude  
Long about 28 West. A large merchant ship in sight  
to windward steering the same as we are

Monday 5th. Fresh breezes a ship in sight off  
Weather beam. Watch employed variously in ships  
duty wet hold at 4 P.M.

Tuesday 6th. Fresh breezes saw a sail off weather  
quarter employed repairing hose & C steering by the  
Wind heading to the S W. set up weather Vane &  
gallant back stay

Wednesday 7th. Strong breezes from the S Eward  
steering by the Wind & employed fitting new Main  
sheets repairing hose & C



## In the South Atlantic

Thursday 8th. of November Fresh breezes steering by the wind employed breaking out fore hold for at Main top gallant sail making sword mat repairing hose &c. at 4 P.M. unbent main top gallant sail bent a new one in its place Wet hold & am Fin Backs off weather beam

Friday 9th. Fresh breezes steering S half West at 4 A.M. set fore top mast studding sail wind from the Eastward at sun rise set main top gallant studding sail. employed repairing main top gallant sail putting catlines on the main shrouds fitting new main royal lifts and ~~not~~ ropes at 4 o'clock unbent fore top gallant sail bent the old main in its place sent down lee main top gallant studding sail boom sent it up foreward and set fore top gallant studding sail. at 12 set lower studding sail so ends this day. Lat at 12 M. 9.53 South.

Saturday 10th. Fresh breezes from the N.E. ward steering S.W. lower top mast and top gallant studding sails out & am four sails wet hold at 4 P.M. Capt still at work on his tool chest

Sunday 11th. Light breeze from the N.E. steering S.W. bit S. I have been reading a very good Book Called the Way to prosper. & am done sail astern

Monday 12th. Rain strong breezes from the E.S.E. steering S.W. employed making and taking in sail in the forenoon & am Fin backs and hump backs gaving eyes out to leeward Capt took the Clock to pieces and could not get it together again and he is in a bad fix. at 5 P.M. & am gampuses Wet hold & on &c.



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# Bound for River Plate

Tuesday 13th. Light Airs and Calms Employed setting up Gibb poles putting rattlines on the lower shrouds putting Main Mastal foot ropes Capt still at work on the Clock. steering S.W. by S. K.S. saw several sails

Wednesday 14th. Fresh breezes from the Northward steering S.W. by S. K.S. employed repairing Gibb at 9 A.M. bent the Gibb putting rattlines on the fore riggin & taring it after dinner kept off South set studding sails saw one sail Wind veered to the S.W. saw Grampuses

Thursday 15th. Strong Wind from the South West equally overcast atmosphere saw a sail at day light off the beam. steering by the Wind heading S.E. Wet hold at 4 o'clock

Friday 16th. Light baffling Winds at 1 A.M. wore round at 2 wore again at 7 tacked at 11 spoke Barks Lephys of Boston, during the fore noon got aback 6 times and went round. Employed variously I have been repairing Hoghouse and Menhouse, making new main tracks or old ones, repairing Cutting plagues &c P.M. saw another sail

Saturday 17th. Light baffling winds and Calm. Employed making and taking in sail set studding sails steering South West Wet hold at 4 P.M.

Sunday 18th. Strong breezes from the N.E. steering S.W. saw a Bark heading to the Eastward on the wind at 12 M. steered S.W. half W.



# Bound to the River Plate

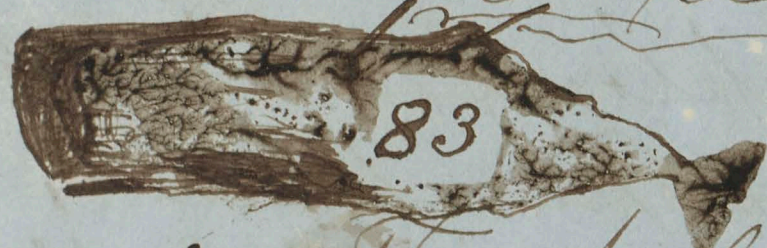
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Monday 19th. of November. Thick hazy weather  
raining at times at 1 PM began to take in sail  
blowing strong from the N.W.E and wind increasing  
steering S.W. by W. at 5 PM under double reefed  
top sails raining all the time sent top gallant  
studding sail ~~down~~ took the Boats on  
the upper cranes broke out for Oil to burn &c.  
at 12 wore around Wind more moderate but heavy  
swell running

Tuesday 20th. Strong Wind from the South, steering  
by the Wind pegged sea running employed  
variously in ships duty at 3 AM. Last main  
top gallant sail out at took in main top gallant  
sail again PM set it again Wet hold at 4 PM.  
set fore top mast studding sail steering S.W.

Wednesday 21st Over Cast Cloudy Weather  
light variable winds, steering S.W.

Lat 31.52 S

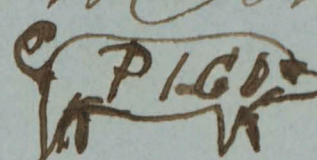


L.B. Long 45.10 W

Thursday 22nd Fresh breezes and pegged at  
5 AM. George Kanaka aided sperm Whales got  
breakfast and covered the Boats Larboard Boat struck  
a large whale the whale struck the Boat 3 times and  
knocked us gally West the first thing I knew  
I found myself under water but I spit two prongs  
in his back before he struck the Boat the Boat  
came up bottom side up and we all got on to the Boat  
and if I ever thought of home I thought of it today  
Capt. Came up to us and took Mr. Albert in the  
Boat Mr. A killed the whale we staid on the Boat  
about a hour the water was awful Cold at length  
Mr. Duntlin came up and took us off the Boat and  
glad was I. I swallowed about a gallon of salt water  
after 9 hours of hard labor we got the stowed Boat  
aboard and the whale along side commenced to  
cut in got the jam in at dark secured the whale set  
Boats crew watches for the night Took in sail



# Cruising for Sperm Whales off Cape Cod

Friday 23rd. Light winds and pleasant weather  
 Called all hands at day light and commenced  
 to cut at 1 PM got the whale all cut in bailed  
 the Case, spoke 1 Ship Mary Wilder of New Bedford  
 3 months out 30 sperm. Commenced to boil  
 Killed old Betsy  H08

Saturday 24th. Light winds all hands busy  
 boiling cutting up blubber & C, saw one pair

Sunday 25th. Fresh winds steering  
 all hands busy boiling cutting up blubber  
 steering to the Southward at 7 PM double  
 reefed the top sails and luffed to the wind  
 on the Starboard tack at 9 wore round took in  
 fore top sail strong wind ruffled and squally


Monday 26th. Strong Wind from the Northward  
 at 8 AM. Cooled down the works at 10 Kept  
 off steering WS'W. rainy. drew the teeth out of  
 the yam washed off. Cleared up decks & C  
 PM light baffling winds heavy swell at sun  
 set set flying jib, gaff top sail and main sail  
 steering by the wind

Tuesday 27th. Light Wind at 3 wore around at  
 7 wore again Wind variable took in Starboard  
 Boat to repair a sail in sight of harbor, made  
 sail finished repairing the Boat and put her out  
 again Cooper employed Coopering Oil at 11 PM  
 under double reefed main top sail squally thunder  
 and lightning no ends



# Cruising off River Plate

Wednesday 28th of November. Called all hands at day light and commenced to break out to stow down oil at sun set finished stowed 83 barrells. ran three sails. Killed two Turkeys so on and so forth

Thursday 29th. Strong breezes at day light. made sail kept off steering to the S W employed repairing Starboard Boat which was stowed by the last whale had roast Turkey for dinner in the Cabin & steeage after dinner Capt lowered his Boat went aboard Bark J. B. Johnson of Liverpool bound to Montevideo. Wind died away to almost Calm at sun set shortened sail luffed to on the Starboard tack with head yards aback Caught a Porpoise 

Friday 30th Fresh Wind from the N & E. at sun rise made sail steering Westward. at 12 M luffed to on the Starboard tack, employed repairing Boat at sun set shortened sail. Wet hold

Saturday December 1st Light airs and Calm at sun rise lowered the Boats for Black fish Caught two. made sail so on and so forth

W.B.



S.B.

Employed minding blubber repairing Boat and so forth steering Southward at sun set shortened sail steering S E. at 12 furlled fore sail gill and spanker luffed to the wind heading E



# Cruising for Sperm Whales off River Plate

Sunday December 2<sup>nd</sup> 1860 Fresh breezes made sail steering S E at 12 M. buffed up steering N E. at sun set shortened sail buffed to the wind on the port tack heading Westward Wind from the S W

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup>. Pleasant weather light Winds. Employed repairing Boat and boiling Black Fish blubber repairing fore top gallant lifts. I have been making a new side box at sun set shortened sail on the Starboard tack at 11 wore around

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup>. Strong Winds from the Northward at 3 wore round. Employed repairing sprinker two blubber hunters in sight to Windward one of them remaining for us at 1 P M spoke Back Atlantic of New Bedford at 6 spoke and gained with Ship Wm & Henry of Fairhaven 7 months out 160 sperm Sam got a letter Mr Wicks got one but none for me

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> Strong breezes at 3 A M wore at sun rise saw two sails I unbent the fore sail to repair it. one year ago to day we got a 100 blb whale if we could only get one to day P M Cloudy at 5 bent the fore sail at sun set shortened sail on the Starboard tack heading Southward rainy and squally

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> Moderate Wind from the S E made sail at sun rise Employed variously in ships duty saw a sail after dinner shook reefs out the top sails and set main top gallant sail light and calm



## Cruising off River Plate

Friday 7th of December 1860 Commences with  
Calm at sun rise ran three sails all hands  
employed breaking out fore hold for pipes of  
Coal & broke out after hold and stowed the Coal  
under the Cabin in bulk at 5 P.M. gashed with  
Ship Wm V Henry

Saturday 8th. Commences with a dead Calm  
at 3 A.M. a light breeze sprang up from the  
South West at sun rise ran three sails  
wore around - broke out after hold for Beans  
Cooper employed repairing Casks at 4 wore ship  
Ship Wm V Henry off to leeward - wet hold at  
sun set took in light sails at 7 kept off steering  
South hauled up Courses

Sunday 9th. Fresh Wind Ship Wm V Henry  
no sight - steering South at day light set light  
sails. P.M. at 2 raised Grampuses at first  
Called them sperm Whales began to rain furlled  
the main sail wore around double reefed fore  
top sail close reefed main furlled fore sail and  
fore top sail and Gibb raining all the time wore  
again steering South West how do pity those unhappy  
young men at home who have a snug little house  
to go into when it rains and blows and especially  
today for this is Sunday and to night is Courting  
night. No one knows what the poor Sailors  
have to go through but those that have experienced  
one or more Whale voyages - I expect I've got to go  
to sea as long as I live and it's enough to give one the  
horrows Cooper says that so and Sam says he has'nt  
anything to say about it



# Off River Plate Cruising for Whales

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> of December Strong Wind from the S West steering by the Wind on the Starboard tack made sail at day light under double reefed top sails at 10 A.M. furlled the main sail. Watch employed variously in ships duty, scraping and washing inside the bulwark. We expect to see the Bark Sunbeam Capt Cromwell - Wet hold at 4 P.M. furlled fore sail at sun set and wore ship

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup>. Commences with fresh winds from the S.W. at day light made sail on the Starboard tack heading S.E.ward one sail in sight off weather beam. Employed washing and painting. Wind moderating at 12. light airs at 1 P.M. Stacked at sun set fresh breezes

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> Fresh breezes from the N.N.E. steering by the Wind. Employed setting up. bobstays. Mr Wicks repairing the Capt's shoes. The Crew asked the Capt for more to eat the other day he gave them 3 pounds of meat more a day and told the Cook not to boil it so much he thought they would not eat so much if it was half cooked - at 12 luffed to the Wind. A Brig in sight steering to the S.W. strong breezes at half past 12 wore round at 4 P.M. double reefed the main top sail at sun set furlled fore sail and top sail Gibb & Spanker. Blowing a moderate gale

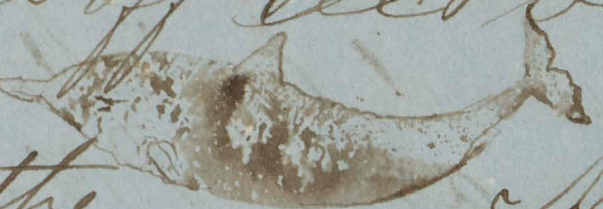
Thursday 13<sup>th</sup>. Strong Winds from the N.N.W. made sail at day light wore ship at 6 A.M. saw a ship steering about S.W. painted white with T.B. in her fore top sail at 5 P.M. set flying Gibb and gaff top sail steering by the Wind heading East Wind from the N.N.E.



## Cruising off River Plate.

Friday 14th. of December Fresh Wind from the NNE at 4 AM made sail. Employed repairing top gallant studding sail and a royal at 12 M tacked at 4 PM. put the old Harboard Boat out on her Cranes again took the other one in Wet hold at sun set double reefed the top sails on the starboard tack heading N & E. Caught a Porpoise



Saturday 15th. Heavy swell wind variable some times light and sometimes fresh. saw fin backs at daylight made sail. saw white water off lee beam run off for it. Caught a Porpoise  PM saw more fin Backs - steering to the Northward at sun set shortened sail luffed to on the port tack heading NW Wind increasing

Sunday 16th. Blowing a gale from the S West at sun rise set the fore sail at 7 kept off steering Northward furled the fore sail at 12 luffed to the Wind on the port tack PM close reefed the main top sail at sun set more moderate

Monday 17th. Commences with strong Winds from the SSW made sail at daylight at 5 kept off steering North. employed variously in ships duty Wet hold at 4 PM. at sun set luffed to the Wind on the Port tack hauled fore sail up at 9 were heading N & E.

Tuesday 18th. Pleasant weather made all sail in the morning steering by the wind on the Starboard tack saw Fin Backs at 8 tacked at 9 wore back again. employed repairing Main Spencer broke out Blubber room for Coal and Water. at 5 PM saw Grampuses at sun set shortened sail on the Starboard tack heading to the NW



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Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup>. At 1 AM were heading Eastward at sunrise made all sail. Light air. Took a Boat down from the bearers to wash ready to Paint. fitting some Canvas mats to put on Main yard in the wake of the main stay. At sun set shortened sail heading North on the starboard tack

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup>. Fresh breezes steering by the Wind on the starboard tack - Employed variously put a new strap on foretop gallant Black Room &c. At sun set shortened sail on the starboard tack heading to the N N W

Friday 21<sup>st</sup>. Light air and Calm drizzling rain nearly all day. At P M Wet hold and washed off decks double reefed foretop sail and took in light sails - Would I were a Boy again I'd lead a different life I'd save my money and buy me a farm take some little Ball for my wife - they that follow the sea lead a miserable life

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> Light air and Calm rain one sail. Mr Wick is making a pair of Shoes for the Capt the rest of us have been washing our clothes. At 5 P M. spoke and gained with Bark Sea Breeze of New Bedford 54 months out 1600 Barrells of sperm oil bound home I sent a letter

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup>. Light air and Calm one sail in sight made sail at sunrise after breakfast Clewed up light sails and Clewed down the top sails. a dead Calm. P M saw another sail at sun set shortened sail on the Port tack heading to the N E fresh breezes so ends.



## Cruising off River Plate

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> of December 1860. Cloudy and squally after breakfast began to make sail at 12 had all sail set saw white water off lee beam run for it, saw Grampuses. at 4 PM let hold at sun set shortened sail on the Starboard tack heading westward

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup>. Christmas day and a beautiful day it is it would be a better one if we could only see a sperm whale at 10 A M commenced to blow squally and raining. Employed making and taking in sail. Had Roast Turkey for dinner. I happened to go on deck at dinner time for something while I was gone Sam Howland stole my share of Turkey. And all I had for my dinner was a little piece of Plum Duff - Mr Drutlin stole Mr Wikes's share so poor Asaph had to go without his Turkey - if Sam Howland ever steals any more of my grub I will just write and tell Polly Potter of it. My appetite has been very poor lately and Sam had had all my share of Pie and Ginger bread he could not be satisfied with that but must steal my share of Turkey it wasn't the Turkey I cared about for I don't suppose I could eat any if I had tried. but the looks of the thing I would have given him my share had he asked me for it and saved him the trouble of stealing it from me " " " at sun set put the old John Dawson under close reefed main top sail fore topmast stay sail and main spencer hove to on the Starboard tack heading South. blowing a living sneezer from the W. I. W. saw two sails



Off River Plate Cruising for Sperm Whales.

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> of December 1860. It is blowing a heavy gale of Wind from the W. S. W. we are laying to under close reefed main top sail. on the Starboard tack heading to the South. - Sam. Howland says he should like to have some more roast Turkey. I don't want any more for I Can't bear it I think it is detestable! - at sun set Wind began to moderate.

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup>. Light Wind from the S. W. made sail at sun rise, heavy swell. at 5 kept off steering S. P. E., employed repairing Main top sail brace Blocks & C. at sun set shortened sail luffed to the Wind on the Starboard tack at 12 furled fore top sail wore around blowing a Gale from the N. N. W.

Friday 28<sup>th</sup>. Fresh Gale from the Westward at sun rise set fore sail at 7 A.M. wore set jib and spanker, employed variously in ship's duty at sun set more moderate at 10 P.M. shook reefs out main top sail set main top gallant sail ~~with~~ steering S. P. W.


Saturday 29<sup>th</sup>. Light Winds steering S. P. W. had raw salt junk for breakfast think we won't eat so much when it is raw. I like to see a man economical but I despise a mean man. if ~~such~~ things can be called cheap. P.M. steering to the South West Wind from the N. N. E.

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup>. Light breeze from the N. N. W. steering South West. Sam has been telling me how this fall sacked him last voyage how it came very near breaking his heart. - - - I wish some one would raise a Sperm Whale after dinner luffed to the Wind on the Starboard tack



## Cruising off Brier Plate

Monday 31st of December 1860

Stuck breezed from the Northward at sunrise  
unbent fore top sail to repair it. steering to the  
Westward at 4 P.M. finished the sail and bent  
it wet hold and washed off at sun set  
shortened sail luffed to the wind on the  
starboard tack heading to the North  
Sam and me traded Ambrosy's yesterday  
he gave me Emma Bonney and I gave him  
Mary Jane's — Killed a Pig for tomorrow  
is New years day  saw two sails

Tuesday January 1st 1861

New Years day Employed variously in  
ships duty. It is a fresh gale from  
the East — on the Starboard tack under  
double reefed Main top sail fore sail  
Gibb and Spanker — fitted new Main  
top gallant lifts had Pig for dinner  
saw ~~two~~ <sup>one</sup> sails and some Grampuses  
but Can't see anything that looks like  
a sperm whale at sun set close reefed  
the Main top sail and furlled the fore sail  
luffed to the wind of the Starboard tack  
heading N.E.

Wednesday 2nd. Blowing a gale from  
the Eastward at sun rise set fore sail  
Employed variously in ships duty saw a  
Merchant ship steering to the Eastward  
at sun set wore around rainy weather

Thursday 3rd. Strong Wind from the N.E.  
at 6 A.M. wore around made sail at 9 changed  
Longitude with a French ship squally and  
rainy. P.M. saw another sail at sun set shortened  
sail and wore heading S.E. one of the flying gibb  
guys ported



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Bark John Dawson of New Bedford.

Friday 4th. of January 1861

Commenced with light airs and Calms Cloudy drizzly, at 7 A.M. made sail. made flying jibb gaffs out of old main top gallant back stays fitted them and set them. Up broke out for Water at 3 P.M. Came on squally and rainy. began to take in sail wet hold at 4 o'clock. At sun set had her under close reefed main top sail blowing a gale from the S.E. laying to on the starboard tack at 9 a ship passed close to us

Saturday 5th. Blowing a gale from the S.E. at sun rise set the fore sail at 6 set jibb & Spanker. saw a sail off lee beam at 12 M saw another sail off weather beam. P.M. saw more sails at 5 P.M. spoke Bark Sun Beam. Capt Sell Sound. 2 months out 150 sperm no letters for us and sailed for River Plate quite encouraging I've made up my mind to answer all the letters I get after this

Sunday 6th. Strong Wind from the S.E. at sun rise made sail on the starboard tack the S Beam and another Bark in sight to windward at 1 P.M. shook one reef off the main top sail at 3 Capt Cromwell of the Sun Beam came on board. Mr Albert went aboard the S Beam. at sun set shortened sail Capt Cromwell is going to stay here all night



Cruising off River Plate. On board

Monday 7<sup>th</sup>. of January Strong breeze from the S.E. steering by the Wind on the Starboard tack. the Sun Beam and another Bark in sight. Capt Cromwell aboard of us. Watch employed variously in ships duty. at 6 P.M. spoke Bark Wave of New Bedford shortened sail and wore round. Capt Cromwell is going to stay all night again he tells some queer yarns about the Ladies around New Bedford especially the married ones.

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup>. Strong Wind at 8 A.M. Mr Albert came on board. Capt Cornell and Cromwell went aboard the Sun Beam. the Wave in sight came aboard again went on board Bark Wave and obtained our letters but there were none for me. made sail on the Port tack heading to the Southward at sun set tacked and shortened sail

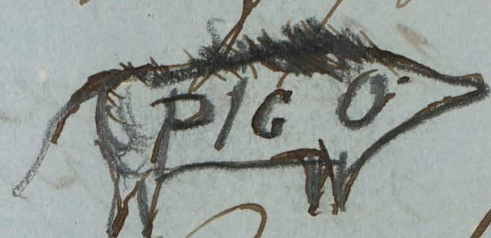
Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup>. Blowing a gale raining at 12 M. had her under close reefed main top sail raining all the time all hands wet as drowned Rats. at sun set more moderate

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup>. Commences with a gale from the South at 1 A.M. wore at 7 set fore sail. wore at 6.

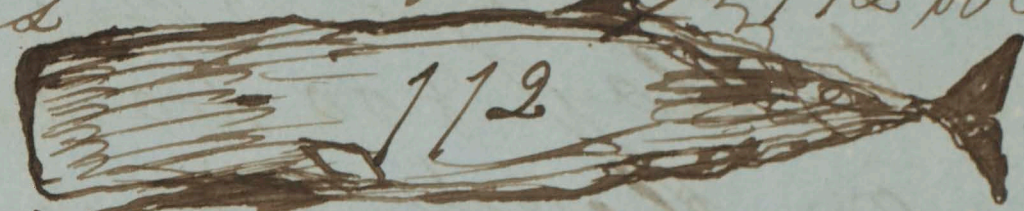


Bark John Dawson of New Bedford

Friday 11th. Moderate breezes. At sun rise  
 Joe Manaka raised sperm Whales at 6 lowered  
 the Boats for a Whale going to windward at  
 8 saw Whales from the ship going to leeward  
 Capt lowered his boat at 9 he struck a large  
 Whale killed the Whale and took him  
 alongside Commenced to cut. Cut the  
 head off and and hauled the Body in at  
 half past 11 set the watches



Lat 32.15 S S.B



Killed a Pig Long 49.20 W

Saturday 12th. Pleasant weather Called all  
 hands at daylight Can and Commenced to  
 get the head in at 12 finished bailing the  
 Case afternoon cutting up blubber started  
 the try works at 7 set the watches for the night

Sunday 13th. Pleasant weather all hands  
 employed boiling several merchant ships  
 in sight. made sail spoke Bark  
 of Sears Port. at 7 set watches

Monday 14th. Pleasant all hands employed  
 boiling at dark finished bailing the  
 blubber put the fat lean on Wk.

Tuesday 15th. Pleasant all sail set saw  
 several merchant vessels employed variously  
 Coopering Oil clearing up decks &c

Wednesday 16th. Pleasant employed  
 Coopering Oil ready to stow down several  
 sails in sight all hands on deck in the after  
 noon stowing down Oil at sun set spoke  
 Bark Waver of New Bedford 6 months out  
 30-barrelle of sperm. at 8 set Boats crew  
 watches for the night



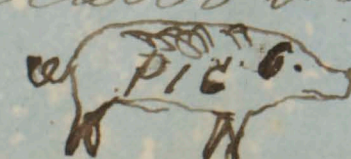
On board Bark John Damsen

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Thursday 17th. of January Called all hands  
at day light and commenced to stow  
down Oil saw 3 sails at 4 PM finished  
stowing washed off VC at sun set furled  
the fore sail stowed down 112 barrels of  
sperm oil

Friday 18th. We are eighteen months out  
to day 800 barrels of sperm oil all hands  
on deck scrubbing bulwarks & C. at 1 PM  
finished washing let the watch go below  
passed a sail kept off before the wind  
at sun set luffed to the wind on the  
Port tack heading S E strong winds

Saturday 19th. Strong Wind from the E & C.  
under double reefed top sails at 11 A.M.  
saw Transpuses Called them Sperm Whales  
got the lines in the Boats but did not see  
them again at sun set shortened sail on  
the Port tack heading E & E

Sunday 20th. Fresh breezes from the N E  
made sail at sun rise saw 2 sail PM strong  
breezes took in light sails at sun set  
shortened sail & wa tacked heading to the NW  
at 12 noon under close reefed main top sail  
dark and squally rainy and lightning wore  
heading E & E

Monday 21st. Cloudy moderate breezes at  
2 A.M. saw a Whale of some kind close to the ship  
at sun rise saw nothing. made sail steered  
various Courses to the Southward at 12 wore steering  
N E made all sail employed drilling holes through  
the windless at 4 PM wet hold at sun  
set shortened sail and luffed to the wind on the  
starboard tack heading E & E blowing strong  
 killed a Pig



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# Cruising off River Plate for Sperm Whales

Tuesday 22nd of January Strong Winds from the South at 3 AM. When sun rise made sail kept off steering NW. they have got so now they don't give me soft tack only NOW and THEN salt junk and hard bread. is cheaper so the Capt thinks especially when the junk is half cooked we don't eat so much then

Wednesday 23rd. Light Winds and Calm at day light called all hands and commenced to break out the after hold made sail. salt junk and hard bread for breakfast at 12 o'clock finished breaking out at 6 PM Sam Howland raised a large Sperm Whale put the ship under close reefed main top sail the whale appeared to be going to leeward

Thursday 24th. Light winds made sail at day light at 5 kept off steering different courses to the South and West but saw no whale. Capt gave Bob a new straw hat for nothing the hat cost 12 Cents did not charge him any thing for it Bob stayed up his watch below trying to raise a whale and Capt thought he would make him a present to encourage him - at sun set shortened sail light airs steering SE by N.

Friday 25th. Light winds hazy weather all sail set steering by the wind on the Starboard tack employed variously in ships duty Capt is building him a work bench up side of the Cabin gang way so he can repair him



On board Bark John Dawson

Saturday 26th of January 1861 Pleasant weather  
at 9 A.M. Sam Howland raised a large school  
of sperm whales lowered the Boats at 10 the  
whales laid heads and points could not get  
a chance to get fast at 3 P.M.  
Capts Boat struck a whale  
Mr Albert Killea S.B. the whale  
at 5 took the whale alongside put a harpoon through  
through his head got cutting tackle up & c  
set Boats crew watched

Lat 32.15 S Long 47.15 W

Sunday 27th. Pleasant weather Called all  
hands at day light and commenced to cut  
in at half past 11 got the whale all cut in  
afternoon bailed the Case and started try  
works cut up the junk at 8 P.M. set the  
watches

Monday 28th. Pleasant weather all hands  
employed boiling cutting up blubber. Calm  
two sails in sight saw Grampuses at  
6 P.M. set the watches found the head of a two  
flued iron in the whales blubber

Tuesday 29th. Fresh breezes at 10 A.M. Cooled  
down the works and washed off the decks.  
old son Betsy has got some little Kittens  
in afternoon Capt lowered a Boat and went on  
board Brig Annie Louie of Glasgow from  
Monterville Coma to Barbadoes saw two  
other sails at sun set shortened sail on  
the starboard tack heading to the N.W.E



## Cruising off River Plate

Wednesday 30th Pleasant weather light winds made sail at sun rise employed Cropping Oil steering different Courses to the at sun set shortened sail ran several sails

Thursday 31st Fresh breezes from the NE wore ship several times Called all hands at sun rise and commenced to stow down oil at 5-PM finished work stowed 75-bbls ran several sails ran ~~gunpowders~~

Friday February 1st 1861.  
~~NE under double reef~~ Strong wind from the NE under double reefed top sails at sun set put her under Close reefed main top sail rainy wore at 12 p.m. ends

Saturday 2nd Commences raining at 9 AM cleared off made sail. we had all hands yesterday forenoon to wash the ship I forgot to mention it at 12 wore around light winds & ends this day

Sunday 3rd Light air and Calm ~~ran~~ gunpowders around the ship Capt shot one

Monday 4th. Light winds from the E employed breaking out the after hold at 2 PM finished ran lots of gunpowders wet hold, gamed with Barb. Ware of N.B. she has taken a 75 bbl whale since we ran her last at sun set took in light sails



# On board the Whaling Bark

Tuesday February 5th. 1861

Strong breezes from the E at 4 A.M. tacked at 7 tacked again ran Trampuses, the Wave in sight at 12 tacked again employed overhauling cutting Blocks Cooper repairing Casks. I Capt. scrimshorning some one broke this work bench and he pined awfully

Wednesday 6th. Strong breezes gamed with Bark Atlantic of New Bedford 9 months out 175 sperm. we got 3 bundles of iron hoops from her. several sails in sight tacked several times at sun set shortened sail on the starboard tack heading North at 12 wore around so ends

Thursday 7th. Fresh wind from the N.E. overcast weather employed variously repairing Rose rove a new watch tackle fall put up new fore top gallant foot ropes at sun set shortened sail

Friday 8th. Strong wind from the E.S.E. Capt. says Steward don't give them any Mackerel in the steerage only when I tell you to. I don't sir. That's right. Capt is still at work on his fancy box Mr. Wick is making one to Mrs. Duntton is mending the American ~~straw~~ <sup>ensign</sup> Mr. Albert is making a bone cane Sam Howland is making a box I am making one to it slid off my chest this afternoon and smashed it but I can glue it together again old John rove like fury a fellow can't scrimshorn very well it's enough to make a minister savor, at sun set shortened sail.



John Dawson of New Bedford 1861

Saturday 9th

It still is pugged and strong winds we were around this morning this is wash day those that are not washed are scrimphorning one of the Saylors Came aft to the Capt for more to eat at sun set shortened sail exchanged Colors with a Brazilian Bark at 17 closed reefed the Main top sail

Sunday 10th

Strong winds and pugged Capt saw a few small crumbs of bread on the head of a cask this morning and he yelled out the one that made a stable cloth out of this cask just come and clean it off - some one stole a small piece of salt junk out of the gally last night I dont blame him for stealing Chuck when a fellow is hungry, at 7 AM wore, had turkey for dinner in the Cabin we had saw salt horse and Duff in the steerage when the Devil comes for a natural blutton I know who he will take first, this day ends paining

Monday 11th. Fine pleasant weather light airs made sail at sun rise saw Champuses. Watch employed drawing and Knotting rope yarns Mr Dunthorn still at work on the incant Mr Albert and Wicks making a line cover Capt is scrimphorning Cooper making bags to keep his pivities in



On board Bark John Dawson

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> of February

Pleasant weather  
got the slop Coak out this morning Godfrey is  
selling the sailors some clothes as he calls  
them I should call them rags I wish we  
could see some whales and get them for  
I long for this voyage to be at an end saw  
Grampuses. at sun set shortened sail wind  
died away ends with a Calm

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup>. Pleasant employed variously  
in ships duty fitted a new Ck T. sail runner  
broke out four mold for Sugar Water & Clay  
light breezes saw Grampuses saw two seals  
at sun set shortened sail at 11 wore around  
so ends

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup>. Strong breezes from the E  
steering to the South. at 9 A.M. picked  
up a Coak of Oil 158 gallons  
saw Grampuses at sun set shortened sail  
at 12 wore around

Friday 15<sup>th</sup>. Strong wind from the NE  
saw several sails & water employed drawing  
and knotting rope yards wet hold at 4 P.M.  
at sun set shortened sail heading to the E  
we are in green water



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Off Beaver Plate Cruising for sperm whales

Saturday 16th

Rainy blowing strong and Wind increasing at 4 PM blowing a gale hove to under Close reefed main top sail hove in main spencer brails secured things about decks so on & C ends with a gale from the S E by S we are in green water

Sunday 17th. Strong winds heavy sea running made sail at sun rise at 9 AM struck the into Blue water. in the Evening spoke and gamed with Ship George & Susan of New Bedford.

Monday 18th. Strong winds. Ship George & Susan in sight and several merchant ships met hove to at 4 PM spoke the S & S. gamed some Grampuses

Tuesday 19th. Strong winds ship George & Susan in sight saw Grampuses so on and so forth at 12 were so ends this day

Wednesday 20th. Strong wind from the NNE at 6 AM. were heading Eastward. on the Port tack at sun set put her under Close reefed Main top sail weather looking bad ends with a gale from the NNE

Thursday 21st. Commences with a heavy gale and rainy at 9 AM. moderated made sail steering E & by E. heavy Cross sea on nothing in sight



On board Bark John Danson

Friday 22nd of February 1861  
Commences pleasant at sun rise made  
sail watch employed making spun yarn  
wet hold this day ends with light air

Saturday 23rd. Commences with light  
air wind increasing at day light under  
double reefed top sails blowing strong furled  
the courses at 8 furled fore top stail at  
11 laying to under close reefed main top  
sail P.M. blowing a heavy gale from the  
S.W. employed securing things about the  
decks ends blowing strong

Sunday 24th. Commences with strong  
wind from the S.W. at sun rise ran a  
Bark under close reefed top sails —  
moderate made sail kept off steering  
N.E. Sam is down here looking at his mothers  
miniature says he wishes he was at home  
but I tell him home is a fool to this place  
Sam says he should like to see his little  
one. As for myself I have no little one to see  
by the way I almost forgot to mention that there  
is salt all over the rigging and Chock up to the  
royal trucks where the spray blew yesterday  
at sun set shortened sail ends with  
light baffling air.

Monday 25th. Pleasant light baffling  
air employed humbuging in various branches  
Calking the try works &c. at 4 P.M.  
Wet the hold at sun set furled the light  
sails ends with a light breeze from the N.E.



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Striking a Sperm Whale off River Plate. I.B. BK. Jno DAWSON.



On board Bark John Dawson

Tuesday 26th of February

Commences with fresh breezes from the N.E. by N. steering by the wind on the Starboard tack Capt lost his Patent and handle yesterday one that he has had this last 13 years the patent was got out 40 years before he had it says he can't credit that it has gone over board thinks some one has walked off with the plate of it at sun set shortened sail

Wednesday 27th. Pleasant light breezes from the E.N.E. at 9 A.M. raised sperm whale breackes at 10 saw sprouts lowered the Boats the Whales were going quick to the S.P.E. Could not get near them at sun set Came on board without success made all sail at 11 tacked & ends wind light. 

Thursday 28th. Pleasant at 3 A.M. tacked at 7 tacked again broke out for water saw lots of Grampuses. but no Sperm whales I feel a little sore and stiff to day after having such a long pull yesterday, rode new main royal braces, shortened sail at sun set

Friday 1st of March 1861

Commences with fresh breezes from the E.N.E. tacked several times saw Grampuses so on and so forth I'm so tired of writing the same things over and over, I wish we could get a whale. Time passes awful dull



# Cruising off River Plate for Sperm Whales

Saturday 2nd of March 1861

Commences with strong wind from the N.E. under double reefed topsails and courses ran spanwises. I wish the voyage was up for I'm tired and sick of it. I want to go home and start over again. we have 3 kind of Pies the Capt Pies are made of Rum sugar and Rice. the Officers Pies of dried apples Molasses and meat. the steerage Pies of dried apples and molasses if I had a Dog that would eat them I would shoot him. all the soft tack that comes down here is sour as swill and the salt horse is half Cockeyed so one can see how pleasantly the time must pass with us, it may be for life time but it won't be forever

Sunday 3rd. Light breezes Capt Cornell aboard the ship George & Susan of New Bedford gaining at dark finished gaining let the G & S. have a Coil of 4 inch thump rope Capt C got a fancy Writing desk and a few other articles. shortened sail. lightning thick so ends

Monday 4th. Commences pleasant at sunrise went on board the George & Susan got 7 Casks got aboard at 8 A.M. raised sperm. Whales lowered boats from both ships mated. the Larboard Boat of the G & S. struck the waist Boat of the same ship struck another our waist Boat struck another Killed the Whales alongside of the George & Susan and commenced to cut our Capt and mate and one Boats crew aboard there helping them at 3 P.M. Capt C took one whale alongside of us and cut it in. then Capt C went aboard the G & S. gave him his tow line & C at dark commenced to boil double reefed the topsails the G & S started for home

18 bbls



W B



On board Bark John Dawson

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> of March 1861  
Commenced with strong winds and  
rugged in the afternoon had a watch below  
finished coaling at 4 P.M. wet hold and  
washed off furled the fore sail and wore  
around

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup>. Blowing a gale from the  
S.E. at 3 A.M. Close reefed the No. 1 S.  
after daylight took the fat lean Oil out the  
pots and cleaned them out

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup>. Strong wind from the South  
broke out for Water upon and so forth  
at sun set shortened sail on the starboard  
tack heading East

Friday 8<sup>th</sup>. Employed repairing the  
Main stay. steering to the Eastward  
at 4 P.M. finished the stay set it up put  
a piece of rope around the main mast head  
to fish up one of the shrouds wet hold  
at sun set shortened sail

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup>. Light airs made sail at  
sun rise exchanged colors with a Brazilian  
Cruiser. saw Grampuses.



# Cruising off River Plate for Sperm Whales

Sunday 10th of March. Commences pleasant moderate wind from the S.W. at sun rise made sail at 6 A.M. In afternoon strong breezes saw Sperm Whales at sun set shortened sail. one sail in sight. Sam and I have been talking about the Falls but I guess we shall have to see many a day before we can see them. Had Turkey for dinner in the Cabin salt Horse in the stateroom

## The Whalers' Song.

There she blows There she blows  
Like an isle on Ocean's breast  
Where away West south West  
Where the billows meet the skies  
Port the helm Trim the sails  
Let us Chase this mighty whale  
There she blows There she blows  
Near the Boats for nothing stay  
Such a prize we must not lose  
Lay to your Oars Away away

Give away Careful steer  
Launch the harpoon laughs at fear  
Launch the harpoon laughs at fear  
Plunge it deep the barbed spear.  
Strike the lance in swift Career.  
Give her line Give her line  
Down she goes thro the foaming brine  
Sprunge the side where the flying Coil  
Keels the monsters speed afloat  
But though she dive to the deepest ground  
Where the lead line fails to sound  
Where the Coral gardens hide  
Tis all in vain All in vain  
She hath that within her side  
That will bring her up again.

turn over



Spout Spout Spout  
The waves are hurling all about  
Every billow on its head  
Strangely wears a cinct of red.  
See her lash the foaming main  
In her flurry and her pain  
Take good heed my hearts of oak  
Lest her flukes as she flies  
Swiftly hurl you to the skies,  
But though her giant strength is broke  
Slow she turns as a mass of lead  
The mighty Mountain whale is dead

Row Row Row.  
In our vessel she must go  
Changed into a liquid stream  
Over the broad Pacific's swell  
Round Cape Horn where tempests dwell  
Many a night and many a day  
Home with us she must stay  
Till we joyfully hail once more  
Old New Bedford's welcome shore  
And when the fair whom we please  
Sit by the fire side at her ease  
Let her remember if she will  
The hardy tar who on the seas afar  
Risk'd his life her lamp to fill





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Cruising off River Plate on board  
Monday 11th. of March 1861  
Commences with light airs and Calms  
Employed variously working in the rigging  
Cooper Coopersing Casks of Oil saw Humphreys  
Capt and Steward had some friendly  
Conversation this morning. Wet the hold  
at 4 P.M. shortened sail at sun set  
at 10 bore so ends

Tuesday 12th. Commences with fresh  
wind from N. N. E. stowed 98 barrels  
of Green Oil down the lubber room  
ran a breach run for it. Watch employed  
variously in ships duty. I gave my Box  
to Mr. Albert last night reminding  
don't pay, especially when a fellow Cant I  
make anything to suit him, but I have  
Commenced to make another Box  
at sun set we shortened sail on the Port  
tack heading East. saw several sails

Wednesday 13th. Fresh wind, attended  
with temporary showers of Rain, employed  
variously in ships duty, on the Port tack  
heading Eastward. Wind from N. N. E. P.M.  
no Rain at sun set shorten'd sail on the Starboard  
tack heading S. W. thick weather attended with  
lightning so ends

Thursday 14th. Fresh wind from the North  
broke out for water thick haze weather saw Humphreys  
at sun set shortened sail at 11 P.M. Came  
on squally with lightning took in all sail  
except those reef main top sail



Bark John Dawson of New Bedford.

Friday 15<sup>th</sup>. Blowing a gale from S.W.  
at 9 A.M. set fore<sup>top</sup> sail double reefed  
Kept off steering N.W. saw Gumpers and  
a large piece of squid, at 4 P.M. wet hold  
and washed off such is life on board of a  
Spouter. Life without a job it seems hard  
to be cooped up in an old ship for 3 or 4  
years away from home and friends no  
society no one to speak kind words to us  
no one but a sailor knows what a sailors  
life is. I wish that I could be a Boy again  
and know as much as I do now as the song  
is I'd lead a different life I'd save my money  
and buy me a farm take Dinah for my  
Wife. At sun set luffed to under close reefed  
top sails at 12 wore so ends this day

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup>. Commences with fresh breezes  
from the S.E. made sail at sun rise  
Kept off steering to the Westward saw two sails  
at sun set put her under close reefed main  
top sail

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup>. Strong winds from the E & S.E.  
at 2 A.M. a Bark passed across our bows  
heading to the S.E. at sun rise made sail  
steered different courses to the Westward  
at sun set shortened sail on the Port tack

Monday 18<sup>th</sup>. 20 Months out to day 900 Bbls  
of spent Oil. Strong winds from the N.E.  
under double reefed top sails. I'm tired of  
River Plate I wish we would leave it and  
go to the North. employed variously. Washed  
the Bullwarks around inside of C.



# The Ship is ready

Fare thee well the ship is ready  
And the breeze is fresh and steady  
Boards are fast the anchor weighing  
Tough in the air the streamer is flying  
Spread the sails the waves are swelling  
Roughly pound thy buoyant dwelling  
Fare thee well and when at sea  
Think of those who sigh for thee  
Fare thee well and when at sea  
Think of those who sigh for thee

When from the land and home receding  
And from hearts that ache to bleeding  
Think of those blind who love thee  
While the sun is bright above thee  
Then as down the ocean glancing  
With the waves his rays are dancing  
Think how long the night will be  
To the eyes that weep for thee

When the lonely night-watch keeping  
All below thee still and sleeping  
As the needle points the quarter  
Over the wide and trackless water  
Let thy vigils ever find the  
Kindful of the friends behind thee  
Let thy bosom's magnet be  
Turned to those who wake for thee

When the slow and gentle motion  
Receives the bosom of the ocean  
While in peace thy bark is riding  
And the silver moon is gliding  
Over the sky with tranquil splendour  
Where the shining hosts attend her  
Let the brightest visions be  
Country home and friends to thee



When the tempest hovers o'er thee  
 Danger. wreck and death before thee  
 While the sword of fire is gleaming  
 Wild the winds the torrent streaming  
 Then suppliant suppliant bending  
 Let thy thoughts to heaven ascending  
 Reach the mercy seat to be  
 Met by prayers that rise for thee

This is W. R. R.



On board Bark John Dawson

Tuesday 19th of March 1861  
Commenced with strong winds from  
the North heading Eastward. In the  
Port tack heavy weather: under double  
reefed top sails and Courses employed  
variously in ships duty. Had a Roast  
Pig for dinner in the Cabin and we smelt  
of it in the Steerage. its Hog eat Hog.

Wednesday 20th. Cloudy overcast atmosphere  
light airs and variable. overhauled the Wheel  
Blocks & C., its hard times aboard this  
Boat in the fore-castle last night Cook went  
forward to feed the Hog he had some small  
pieces of soft bread among the crew one of  
the men took the pieces of soft bread and  
ate them a man must be hungry to do that  
its to bad they Cant have enough to eat for  
there is plenty of it in the ship I suppose  
he wants to sell it when he gets in Port the  
same as he has done — At sun set shorten  
sail so ends)

Thursday 21st. Blowing a fresh gale from  
the S.W. at 7 furled the fore top sail and  
fore sail were round at daylight close  
reefed the M.T.S. at 6 set close reefed F.T.S.  
were round saw two sails and Spruce

Friday 22nd. Light airs and Calms  
bent a new Main top sail employed  
repairing the old one. at 4 P.M. we hauled  
and washed off a new Main top sail  
lifelines and buntlines shortened sail  
I'm 22 years old to day



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# Cruising off River Plate

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup>

Commences with fresh breezes double reefed the main top sail at 1 A.M. at 2 furled the gill at daylight weather looking bad at 7 furled fore sail and fore topsail at 9 A.M. under close reefed main top sail blowing a gale from the N.E. seas running high. not one aloft. P.M. wind veered to the S.W. at 4 P.M. wind came out from the S.W. moderated kept off steering N.E. by E. made sail. Wind increasing at 11 under double reefed top sails split the foresail and furled it

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup>. At daylight made all sail wind from the S.W. and fresh. steering N.E. by E. at 1 P.M. altered the course steering N.W. by N.

Monday 25<sup>th</sup>. Light breezes from the S.W. steering N.W. by N. unbent the old foresail bent a new one in its place. employed repairing a main topsail. P.M. unbent the fore top sail and bent the one repaired in its place bent main royal put up new main royal foot reef so on P.M. wet hold.

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup>. Pleasant fresh breezes at daylight saw the Coast of South America all hands on deck washed off the bulwarks in side repaired a spade box scraped spade poles painted the spades bent up fore royal gargo fitted new fore royal lifts and lots of other things to numerous mutations painting scraping &c. humming at 5 P.M. Came to anchor off Santa Cruz. Capt went ashore with the boat and brought off two gentlemen they sealed the hatches and set them ashore again.



Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> of March 1861

Pleasant weather and light airs from the southward. Employed washing ship around outside scraping dead eye straps painting them &c. The Boat went ashore brought off a man unsealed the hatches sealed them again and then sent him ashore at 10 A.M. got under weigh made all sail and commenced to beat up to the City at 4 P.M. Came to anchor again the tide sitting out after dark a breeze sprang up fair wind weighed anchor again at half past 8 P.M. found ourselves in the mud cleared up light sails set anchor watches

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup>. at half past 12 A.M. Called all hands got out a Kedge Anchor and began to kedge the ship out of the mud worked a while at it and then gave it up lowered all the Boats and began to tow the tide rising at 5 A.M. Came to anchor off St Catharines Capt went below and went to sleep kept all hands stopping up the punning piggies and washing ship Sam Howland this as cross as the Devil says if the John Daven had not 700 barrells of sperm oil she wouldn't carry him out of this place and I am of the same mind we have been humbugged and bug hummed so that we don't care a damn — it is evening now and we feel a little better than we did for most of us aft have received letters from home I received one from Mary Jane it was rained all day we have broke out for Water &c



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St Catharines Thursday Eve 28th. of March  
 My dear Sister,

Here we are at Anchor once more I received a letter from you today and was glad enough to get it. We was all up last night towing the old John out of the Mud we ran on to a bar. I should feel sleepy but the letter I got today has raised my spirits a little for I had given up all hopes of getting a letter from home. Well we are all well and I was glad to hear that you were well at home. I see the Osceola has not done much I am sorry for them but if whales are not seen they cannot be taken. I expect we shall have liberty here I have not been ashore yet. Sam has been ashore a little while today I long to get ashore you can imagine how a Chaff feels after a long cruise on salt water. I tell you what it is Jennie you just be a good girl and I will be your beau when I get there I shant get married until I am 30 if I live as long as that. I am a few days over 22 now. About all the letters I have received this voyage has been from you so I begin to think you are something about me I hope the next time I get home we shant be growling all the time the same as we was last time. Sam and I have got to be regular growlers Capt C or Godfrey Hamburgs us so much he has got so much oil he is trying to drive his crew out of the ship by working them all day and night and starving them in the bargain I know one that wont leave the old John (that is if I live) until I get to new Bedford I dont expect Sam and I shall be able to get a berth to come whaling again but that dont trouble us any we are independent as a hog on ice if we cant stand up we will fall down. well I will vast heaving for this time perhaps I shall think of more to write some other time so good night. The fore mast stands the Anchor watches so I've got all night in —



April 2nd. I will now try to finish

Abbie A. Hammond



# Laying in St Catharines Brazil

Friday 29th of March 1861

Pleasant, this is good Friday with the people ashore here so all we can do is to scrape for stays &c. I have been ashore a little while this morning Sam pinched a yellow ball in the market the pogue - P.M. painted round the bows in the evening Sam & Mr Duntlin Frank Potter and myself went on shore we had quite a fine time came on board early

Saturday 30th. Pleasant weather the Starboard Watch ashore on liberty I expect Sam is having a good time and I hope he is. well our Watch wet hold painted the ship outside furled the sails &c tomorrow is our liberty day and I hope I shall find some friends ashore. I am a little homesick to night I wish I could be there for theres no place like home.

Sunday 1st of April It has been pleasant all day we have painted the ship inside the bulwarks the starboard watch are ashore on liberty. yesterday I was ashore and enjoyed myself very well considering but as I said before theres no place like home.

Tuesday 3rd. It is pleasant to day but awful hot Yesterday I was on liberty had a very pleasant time last evening the Starboard Watch are ashore to day enjoying the comforts of St Catharines we are not working very hard to day tomorrow is our day again.



On board Bark John Danson

Saturday 6th of April 1861

It is a drizzly day. and it is my day to go ashore but as I don't feel very well I will not go before afternoon I have been ashore one day since I wrote last yesterday I was rather unwell to day I'm a little better we are not working very hard now Capt is selling butter flowers and meat out of the ship and putting the money in his pocket I suppose

Sunday 7th. This is the sabbath day at home but not ashore in this wild country I went ashore yesterday afternoon stayed until this morning went to a Ball last evening on a shakerdown some of our ~~paylors~~ got put in the jail I don't know what for. tomorrow we expect to leave this hell hole and I hope we shall

Monday 8th. Pleasant light baffling air



Private Journal on board Barkino Damia

Wednesday 10th of April 1861 We are now laying at Santa Cruz last Monday a boats crew of us went across the river with a man by the name of John Dawson to his house 8 miles from St Catharines. We staid all night and left his house at 12 O'clock yesterday in the mean time the ship was got under weigh and came down here to Santa Cruz 12 miles from St Catharines we got on board last night about 5 P.M. we had a very pleasant time to Mr Dawson he has a large farm lots of Orange trees we got a Boat load of oranges. To day we took three kegs of Casks ashore filled 1/3 and took them on board stowed most of them down below. sold a new Whale Boat on I suppose the Capt sold it for he took it on shore. Stenard has been ashore all day trading clothes at 4 P.M. an Officer came off from the shore and sealed the hatches.

Friday 12th. Pleasant weather I did not have time to write yesterday we were so busy. yesterday we got 11 Casks of Fresh water on board and stowed it down at 3 P.M. the Bark Atlantic of New Bedford came in and Anchored near to us at 6 we got under weigh and beat out to sea at 12 O'clock last night we were all clear of the land on the Port back heaving to the S.E. To day we stowed the Anchors on the bows stowed the cables down below but hold got the craft in the Boats etc. saw five Casks. I'm glad we are out to sea once more. I hope the next port will be New Bedford.



On board Bark John Danson

Saturday 13th. of April 1861

Pleasant weather  
light breezes Employed getting, studding sail  
boom aloft getting, studding sail put  
up preventer fore top gallant back stays steering  
E & E. Mr. Hicks is getting better he killed  
his Turkey Capt thought it was his Turkey  
but come to find out it was Hicks's Turkey  
after all

Sunday 14th Pleasant steering by the wind  
on the Starboard tack heading N.E. light winds  
Capt wants to learn how to Carve a Turkey. he knows  
how to eat one or any thing else that's good  
at sun set wind fresh. steering by the wind

Monday 15th. Light breezes steering by the wind  
Employed variously cut a lower studding sail  
in two made two three square studding sails  
out of it locked twice, wet hold, V.C. at sun set  
wind freshened on the starboard tack heading  
N.E. by N. Sam and me have been talking  
about the Galls over in Baker town. at 7 P.M.  
ran a sail off lee beam.

Tuesday 16th. Pleasant fresh breezes from  
the N.E. on the Port tack heading E & E  
ran a sail employed fitting new flying  
jib pendant and sheet broke out of  
the slop Cask. got water out the fore hold  
fitted new main top-gallant runner



Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> of April Pleasant weather  
steering by the wind on the port tack heading  
E N E. / fitted new jib foot ropes weaving  
a snow mat overhauling blocks and  
various other things pertaining to ships duty  
Brangs making brangs and went spliced

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> We are 21 Months out to day.  
We have had light winds all day this afternoon  
the wind hauled to the South but lower top mast  
and top gallant studding sails We have been  
ripping up an old sail Mr. Weeks making fore  
sheet blocks &c Steward preserving Oranges  
for Capt. the weather looks rainy I wish I was  
in New Bedford I could make good weather  
of it - Ended squally rainy took in studding sail

Friday 19<sup>th</sup>. Pleasant weather steering by the  
wind on the starboard tack heading to the North  
light breeze ran 5 sails Employed serving back  
stays strapped fore sheet blocks overhauling  
main brace blocks wet hold &c ran 2 pumps  
Cooper Cleaned the Capt's Chest of tools

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup>. Pleasant weather light wind  
from the N E by N. steering by the wind at 12 M  
tacked heading E by S. ran 5 sails. Cooper has  
been a Bride Cage for Mr. Albert the most of us  
have been washing for this is our wash day. Steward  
is worrying about the patching Mr. Weeks has been  
finishing his Box Mr. Duntlin finishing a pair of  
pants &c.



On board Bark John Dawson

Sunday 21st of April 1861

Commenced light breeze from the NNE at 2 A.M. Commenced to lighten at 7 A.M. had a heavy squall wind increased to a strong breeze at 12 O'clock double reefed fore top sail and single reefed the main at 4 P.M. made sail again

Wednesday 24th We have been a little under the weather for the past two days with a bad cold but I'm better now I turned to this morning well to day it is squally and rainy we have been setting studding sails and taking them in again shifted fore top mast studding sail boom over twice this fore noon I wish we had a Captain that knew something for this one knows nothing - We know how to eat himself and how to starve others I thought to have Officers that would not be imposed upon. but he does just as he likes with these and all they can say is yes sir. after sitting down to the table with his second mate in port the other officers were on shore well Capt had two bowls of Oysters put along side of his plate. and as I was saying after he had eaten both bowls full Gaps and says hard old things to call Oysters the second mate made this dinner out of salt Horse and hard tack. over half the fresh meat he buys in port he puts in his pocket in the last port he gave a young woman a Gallon of slush and a Gallon of Oil I don't know what for but I guessed. I would have paid her in money. I think that is the reason why we can't get a fair wind.



# Bound North from St Catharines

Thursday 25th. Light airs and Calms on the starboard tack heading to the Northward. one sail in sight. Took the starboard Boat in on deck took her sealing out painted her inside put her on the Cranes again at 4 P.M. — took out for Tar and Bread. saw a piece of sperm whales Case. . . . We had a splendid Moon light night last night the first pleasant night we have had for a long time the moon is full.

Friday 26th. Light wind from the S.E. ward. Lower top mast & top gallant studding sails out Employed shortening flying jib & guys painted the starboard Boat outside over hauled several blocks. wet hold &c two sails in sight time passes dreadful dull aboard here now I wish to the Lord we was going into New Bedford tomorrow. . . we are steering North half E. Killed old Betsy our old cow

Saturday 27th. Fresh wind from the S.E. steering N by E. Capt has been skinning all day Mr Wicks has been polishing his bones Mr Duntlin making a pair of pants the rest of us washing our clothes &c saw a sail. had fresh pork for dinner and supper. our Lat is about 48.30 South. I forgot to mention that Cooper has been making another bird cage for the Captain

Sunday 28th. Breeze trades from the E.S.E. steering N by E. lower top mast & top gallant studding sails set in the afternoon saw two sails I can't write any more today. times are so awful dull



Journal Kept on board the Whaling Bark

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> of April Fresh trades from the Eastward steering N by E. at sun rise set fore top gallant & studding sail Employed strapping blocks &c. Capt scrimshorning wet the hold. at 7 P.M. took in studding sails luffed N.N.E. during the day saw three seals  
Lat  $12^{\circ} 32' S$

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup>. Fresh trades from the Eastward steering N.N.E. water Employed taking the spun yarn off main top mast back stays and putting it on again one Brig in sight we have beat her 20 miles to day at 4 P.M. set ~~the~~ studding sails took them in for a squall and set them again Capt to work on his box  
Lat  $9^{\circ} 31' S$

Wednesday the first of May 1861. Fresh breezes steering N.N.E. a Bark in sight steering the same we beat her about 10 miles during the day. Employed taking spun yarn off back stays and putting it on again after sun set rainy and squally. Godfrey is scrimshorning all the time I shall be glad when I get clear from him  
Lat  $6^{\circ} 23' S$  Long  $31^{\circ} 30' W$

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup>. Fresh breezes all sail set — to day we have been working in the riggin as usual, saw one sail point Porpoise came round to night struck one and the iron drum out Cooper has been repairing an old Coak. he got to sleep last night in his watch on deck and tried to wash his face with the fresh water tunnel  
Lat  $3^{\circ} 19' S$

ended squally took in the studding sails and light sails



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John Samson of New Bedford

Friday 3rd of May 1861 Fresh breezes from the E by S. steering N.E. by N. squally and rainy unbent fore and main topgallant sails bent the main topgallant sail foreward bent a new one to the main. Watch employed variously in ships duty. Wet hold &c. Our Latitude to day was 44 Miles South.

Saturday 4th. Light breezes from the E by S steering N.E. by N. ran three sails one to steamer. Mr. Wicks is making a Cradle to rock his baby in when he gets married at 4 P.M. hauled in the jacking sails unbent lower and top mast studding sails and stowed them away. Sam says tell them I am well. and I should think he was seeing the quantity of grub he devours.  
Lat at 12 M was 1.58 North.

We crossed the equator sometime last night.

Sunday 5th. Raining and Calm at times light airs rained all the forenoon. some of the Port watch tried to be a little sulky, last night lost their watch below this forenoon to pay for it. there is one sail in sight off starboard quarter the Capt. <sup>Parra</sup> ~~Parra~~ Ketch flew over board this afternoon we lowered a Boat and picked it up but died after a short time at sun set a light breeze sprang up from the N.E.

Monday 6th. Light breezes and rainy Calm at times watch employed making shroud mat spun yarn &c. in the afternoon Capt took his Boat and went on board the English Bark Smarebrook from New e. bound to London with a load of wool - at 4 P.M. Capt came back and some of the boats crew was three sheets in the wind - we wet the hold, it looks rainy and squally.



## Journal kept on board Bark

Tuesday May 7th. 1861 Commences raining and rained all day at times had light winds from the E N E. saw two seals. The Steward is making Beer we had some for dinner. I do wish it would stop raining for I was wet all last night and have been most all day to day. I am going to make me a pair of shoes Mr Wicks gave me the leather this afternoon I know I could make a good pair if I had the tools and knew how. at any rate I am going to try necessity is the mother of invention —

Wednesday 8th. Fresh wind from the N E was steering by the wind on the starboard tack rained all times a Bark in sight off lee beam I have commenced to make my my shoes

Thursday 9th. Pleasant weather steering by the wind on the starboard tack Employed fitting a new Mizzen top gallant stay put a mat on the fore of the main top gallant sail mending the shoes I & Capt scrimshoring — ing. Wet Cold

Friday 10th. Pleasant fresh trades steering by the wind, employed strapping blocks raising back stays Capt scrimshoring 100 on and so forth saw nothing neither seals nor whales it is awful dull times aboard here living on salt horse and hard bread now and then a little Dandyfunk



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John Dawson of New Bedford,

Saturday 11th. Pleasant weather hatch employed variously in ships duty broke out for Foul in the afternoon Capt took a Boat went on board the American Bark *Agelia* of New York bound to Pernambuco. we got some late papers. we hear they are fighting at Rome. at 4 P.M. wed the hold. I have got one shoe finished

Sunday 12th. Baffling winds and squally steering by the wind heading to the North. Sam is looking at my Ambrotypes and his own to - we have got some New York papers but all there is in them is wars and advertisements

Amos C Baker has gone to the mast-head and I thought I would just let you know that I am alive & kicking and am in hopes to be with you night-fall if nothing happens. my wife and children are well  
Lat 16.16 North.

Yours truly Samuel Russell.

Monday 13th. Fresh breezes steering by the wind on the starboard tack heading to the North at 6 A.M. Carried away one of the main gale back chains. fixed it again set the jibb stay up set the jibbs again employed throwing back stays knotting rope yards &c. wed the hold  
Lat 18.29 North

Tuesday 14th. Light winds (most of the day) steering by the wind heading to the North. we have been variously employed in ships duty. Bob told one of the portuguese to throw some Bean soup over board portugise told the Captain so Bob has got to stay on deck all day until next Sunday. a man that wont eat. Bean soup ought to have him. Kicked hanging is to good for him if a man dont eat Beans the Capt is going to give him Beans

Lat 20.56 North.



# A Life on the Ocean Wave

A life on the ocean wave  
The man who wrote that was green  
He never has been to sea  
And a storm he never has seen.

He never has seen a wave  
As it dashed o'er the vessel's deck  
He never has seen a fire at sea  
Or been floating upon a wreck.

He never has been aroused  
From his morning's gentle dose  
By the sound of the splashing water  
As it fell from the horrible hose.

He never has heard a man  
Scrubbing right o'er his head  
With a noise sufficient to rouse  
From the grave the slumbering dead.

He never has seen a fat woman  
Growing thinner day by day  
And leaning o'er the vessel's side  
Throwing herself away.

While people look Carelessly on  
Though in tears the woman may be  
And unfeelingly say it is nothing at all  
Only the will of the sea.

And O! he has never been sea sick  
And crept into bed in his Coat  
While every motion increased his  
Throes

And his feeling were all in his throat.

That man may have sailed in a boat  
In some puddle or on a pond  
But if he has been to sea and wrote  
Such a song, he deserves to be drowned.



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On board Bark Jno Dawson of New Bedford,  
Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> of May 1861

This day Commences pleasant with light trades from the E by N. steering by the wind on the starboard tack heading to the North at sunrise saw one sail. Watch employed turning in the fore rigging at 5 P.M. got the rigging all turned in & exchanged ensigns with a French Brig saw another sail.

Lat. 23.11 North.

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup>. Commences with light baffling winds in the fore noon had a fresh breeze afternoon a light breeze saw three sails one a schooner. Watch employed working in the fore rigging met the hold &c

Lat 24.33. N

Friday 17<sup>th</sup>. Commences with fresh breezes, in the fore noon had light winds overcast atmosphere watch employed. Staring rigging broke out for Beef Pork Sugar & Coffee and Raisins for the Captain. Came up with the Bark. Queen Cortenee of Dundee both of us steering by the wind we passed close to her about 6 P.M. saw a Hermaphrodite Brig to windward.

Lat 25.55 N

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup>. We are 22 months out to day with 900 bbls of sperm oil - the wind to day has been light and variable saw a Bark Brig and a Ship. met hold at 4 P.M. steering N.E.

Lat 27.41 N.

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup>. Pleasant weather a gentle breeze from the S.E. ward steering N.E. this is the Sabbath day I wonder how many more we shall have to see aboard the old Jno Dawson not over 24 I hope - at 1 P.M. kept off steering North wind about South and a fresh breeze during the day saw 5 sails



# A Journal Kept on Board the Whaling

Monday the 20th of May 1861

Commences with light winds from the South steering North. Watch employed rearing off the fore Rigger broke out a sack of bread. Cooper scrimshorning for the Captain one of the fore top mast shrouds parted ends with squally rain.

Tuesday 21st. Fresh breezes from the NE ward steering by the wind watch employed to work in the Rigger & C. Cooper scrimshorning for the Captain wet hold, times are awful dull aboard this old Bark. At sun set shortened sail. I suppose we are now on whale ground. ~~Latitude today noon 35.46 North~~  
~~Long 43.46 West~~

Wednesday 22nd Light winds ran firbacks Porpoises Blackfish & one sail Caught a Porpus watch working in the Rigger Caped off the fore Rigger Cooper scrimshorning for the Capt at sun set shortened sail & bent main royal. I suppose we are now on whale ground. Lat 35.46 N  
Long 43.46 W

Thursday 23rd Pleasant weather made sail at sunrise Light winds took the Starboard Boat in on deck to nail her and paint inside at 4 P.M. put her out on the Cranes again this day ends with light baffling airs.

Friday 24th Pleasant light airs and Calms took the waist Boat in on deck to nail and paint inside. turned the Starboard Boat up and painted her outside. Caught a Turtle put the waist Boat out on her Cranes again wet hold & Caught a porpus



Mr Albert



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Bark John Dawson of New Bedford

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> of May 1861

~~Weather~~ ~~several~~ Light breezes from the Westward saw several sails fin Backs & Topping Backs we have been scrimshorning to day. a year ago to day we was at St Georges Bermuda and it was our liberty ashore Mr Ficks and myself went to Hamilton in the mail Coach and had our profiles taken. I wonder where we shall be in a year from now perhaps in our graves and perhaps not I hope not any how although this is a hard world still we all cling to life

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup>. Pleasant weather light winds steering N.E. saw Fin backs one sail in sight astern Caught a porpus Sam has been writing a letter home and told Mr Ficks he wrote something about him and Ficks has been down the steege this afternoon looking for it but could not find it. in the afternoon lowered the Boats for Black fish but did not get any



Mr ALBERT.

Monday 27<sup>th</sup>. Fresh wind from the Southward steering S.W. broke out for water sent down the fore topsail repaired it at 2 P.M. bent it again saw fin backs and two sails wet held at sun set shortened sail Caught a porpus



Mr A

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup>. Fresh breezes from the S.W steering to the Eastward saw fin backs and one sail & watch employed putting rattines on the topmast rigging set up flying jibb gump tares them W.C. Mr Albert Holley told his Porpus blubber

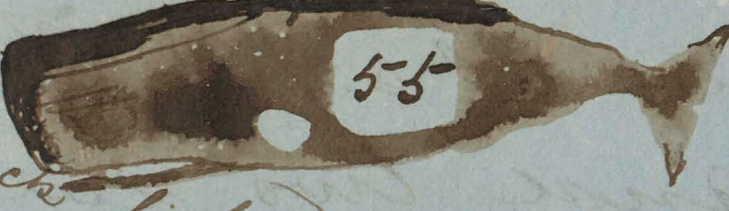
Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup>. Strong wind from the W.S.W. steering to the Eastward under double reefed top sails saw Sulphur Bottoms. broke out Beef and Pork employed working in the rigging made a sword mat at sun set took this sail and luffed to the wind Caught a Porpus





Journal kept on board the Whaling Bark

Thursday 30th. of May. 1861 Foggy drizzling rain saw Finbacks. We have had Porpus meat to eat this last 20 days and for my part I'm ashamed to look a Porpus in the face. At 10 A.M. made sail light breezes from the West and steering to the East. more calm came down the sails

Friday 31st Thick drizzly weather saw Spruces and Porpuses fresh wind from the S.W. steering S.E. at 8 A.M. George Kanaka raised sperm Whales Called all hands at 9 lowered the Boats. the whales were going to leeward. about 2 P.M. the Starboard Boat went on and struck a whale. the Whale sounded took all the large tub Capt Came down and struck the whale and shot him at the same time at half past 4 P.M. got the whale along side and commenced to cut cut the Whale off lashed down the piece got supper and set quarter watches at 8 o'clock, during the night cut up horse pieces cleared away the jam &c so ends ~~this~~ last day of May 1861  
The whale has a scar  55  
where he has been struck before II B.

Saturday June 1st. Pleasant weather at half past 3 A.M. Called all hands and commenced to cut again at half past 9 finished cutting and spliced the Main Brace bailed the Case sent down cutting tables &c afternoon broke out blubber room wore ship made sail saw fin backs and Killers cut up the junk



John Damsen of New Bedford.

Sunday 2nd of June - Pleasant weather fresh breezes all hands employed boiling Oil in the afternoon gave us a watch below Lat 8 set the watches for the night

Monday 3rd. Fresh winds at 8 A.M. finished boiling put on the fat lean made sail employed clearing up the decks &c. afternoon starboard watch went below steering to the S.E. at sunset shortened sail luffed to the wind on the Port tack. Capt says Mr Wickes is not much of a Prognosticator. Most all ships are carrying Lead ropes since Capt Cornell wrote home about this so he says

Tuesday 4th. Light winds from the S.W. steering full and by watch employed variously in ships duty overhauled fore & aft halliard blocks ran one sail Blackfish and Finbacks.

Wednesday 5th. Light air employed Coopering Oil ready to stow down in the afternoon had light winds from the S.W. steering by the wind on the Port tack broke out part of one side of the after hold and stowed it on the other so on. Sam Sulphur bottoms at first called them Sperm Whales got the boats ready but found ourselves sucked in at 12 wore round so ends fresh breezes

Thursday 6th. Strong wind from the South west called all hands at half past 3 and commenced to break out the after hold to stow down Oil worked all day at 5 P.M. finished ran finbacks and two sails - under double reefed top sails wore round steering South East, at sunset luffed to the wind. the wind hauled to the N.N.W. so ends



Journal kept on board the whaling Bark

Friday 7th. of June 1861

Commences with light winds from the N.W. made sail at sun rise at 6 A.M. kept off steering S.E. watch employed washing the ship inside the bulwarks and Trinbacks. at 12 o'clock finished washing. afternoon repaired the hose and hold. tacked twice made sail steering S.E.

Saturday 8th. Light winds from the O.P.E. steering by the wind on the port tack. This is our wash day. Some have been washing and some have been scrimshawing at sun set had light airs steering S.E. this day ended with light breeze from the N.W.

Sunday 9th. Commences with light variable winds at 8 A.M. breezed up from the S.W. in the afternoon had strong breezes all sail set wind hauled to the West so ended

Monday 10th Strong winds all sail set steering S.E. at daylight saw the Island of Flores one of the Western Islands at 9 A.M. took in fore top gallant sail. at 5 P.M. raised the Island of Fayal bearing about S.E. under whole topsails and courses at 6 saw what we supposed to be a sperm whale lowered the two Starboard Boats but did not see it again. Came on board double reefed the topsails furled the Courses run into the land were heading off shore close reefed the top sails at 11 were heading in set the fore sail blowing a gale from the W.S.W. at 12 were again heading off so ended



John Danson of New Bedford

Tuesday 11th. of June Commences blowing a Gale  
beating up under Foyal under close reefed top sails  
and fore sail at half past 3 A.M. Shook on reef out  
the main top sail set the main sail jib and spanker  
were several times furled the main sail again wet  
the hold at 7 furled the jib and spanker and close  
reefed the main top sail again laying aback drizzling  
rain. and blowing heavy at times all the afternoon  
making and taking in sail at 5 hove to under close reefed main  
top sail

Wednesday 12th Blowing a gale from the West. at 8 A.M.  
wore ship heading S.W. on the starboard tack set close  
reefed fore top sail at 10 set jib and spanker at 12 set  
fore sail shook on reef out the No. 1. S. the Jolants of Foyal  
Pier St George & Graciosa in sight afternoon wind moderated  
made more sail at 4 Capt and boats crew went ashore  
at Foyal the Bark Atlantic is laying off and on at dark  
our Boat came off on board left Capt Cornell ashore. Capt  
Sherman of the Atlantic wants Mr Wicks to go on board  
with him as second mate, I hope he will go.

Thursday 13th Moderate weather laying off and on at  
Foyal Capt ashore the Boat has been running back  
and forth all day the Bomb boats came along side (trading  
and among the rest of their things they brought some  
chain lightning most all the crew fore ward got tight  
some got dead drunk. Mr Wicks is discharged he is  
going in the Atlantic. I am sorry he is going for I have  
been with him so long but so it is. we started 10  
barrells of Pork out of Casks into barrells - Capt came  
off at sun set put one of the drunken men in irons

Friday 14th. Moderate weather laying off and on at  
Foyal the Atlantic in Company Capt and Mr Albert  
ashore. sent 10 barrells of Pork on shore broke out two  
Casks of bread. broke out slop chest sent 21 Cotton shirts  
ashore. Mr Wicks took his things aboard the Atlantic  
today at sun set Capt and Mr Albert came on board  
stood out to sea in Company with the Atlantic  
Mr Wicks is gone and I feel lonesome enough



Journal kept on board Bark

Saturday 15th Strong winds from the N N W  
the Islands of Fayal and Pico in sight at 12  
o'clock spoke the Bark Atlantic took 2 Casks of  
Bread on board of her I was on board the A and ran  
Mr Wicks at 3 P.M. separated the Atlantic on  
the starboard tack and we on the Port tack made  
sail at sun set shortened sail stood in  
between Fayal and Pico

Sunday 16th. Pleasant at 7 Capt and one  
boats crew went ashore at Fayal to land some  
letters at 9 came off again stood out to sea  
tacked several times

Monday 17th Light winds thick weather  
saw two sails Fayal and Pico watch employed  
variously in ships duty wet hold at 4 P.M.  
we are heading to the North on the Port tack

Tuesday 18th. Pleasant light wind from the N N W  
steering by the wind heading to the Westward the Bark  
Atlantic in sight off weather beam watch employed  
cleaning Carpenders Tools &c. tacked twice the A  
set Colors at her Mizzen peak. this day ends with a  
Calm saw the islands of Flores and Corvo in sight

Wednesday 19th. Light airs and Calms the Islands  
of Flores and Corvo in sight Bark Atlantic and  
two other sails employed variously fitted the truss  
to the main yard. on &c tacked several times

Thursday 20th. Pleasant weather at 10 A.M. Capt went  
ashore at Flores and got a Portuguese. Cam on board  
and tood to the Westward on the wind fresh breezes  
ran Fri back.



John Dawson of New Bedford

Friday 21st of June Pleasant weather steering by the wind heading W by N. at 11 A.M. tacked at 3 P.M. gamed with Bark Atlantic Mr Weeks Came on board here we had a fine gam at 9 separated wind from the West by North. on the Port tack heading N by W.

Saturday 22nd Fresh Wind from the Westward steering by the wind ran Bark Atlantic - at 4 P.M. wet hold

Sunday 23rd. Fresh wind from the westward at 6 A.M. lowered down two Boats for Kumpbacks. Mr Albert shot one with a Bombance but we did not stop for that Came on board again took in F.T.S.P. we are heading to the N.W.

Monday 24th. Thick hazy weather at 9 A.M. double reefed the topsails at 4 P.M. wet the hold ran two sails one a Bark. at sun set shortened sail

Tuesday 25th. Hazy atmosphere made sail at sunrise broke out Bree & Bore. Capt told me this morning if I had any scrimshorning to do to keep my tools on deck not to be running down the Cabin all the time damn his old Cabin he ought to have a Hogpen built up in one corner so he could crawl into it. if he says much more to me I will leave the Cabin perhaps he thinks I am a fool because he is one all the difference between us is he is a fool and dont know it I am a fool and know it. at 4 P.M. lowered down the Boats for Blackfish dasted out of all three Boats but did not get fast Came on board again and washed off the decks.



# Journal kept on board the Whaling

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup>. of June. Commences with fresh breezes from the Westward on the Port tack heading to the N. W. Took in light sails Watch employed Knotting rope yards &c. at 11 P. M. double reefed the fore topsail furled the main sail strong breezes at 4 wore round ran fair backs. ran one sail at sun set shortened sail

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup>. Commences blowing a gale from the S W at sunrise set fore topsail and fore sail took in the fore topsail again employed fitting the perils lashing to the main topsail yard binching Onions &c. Capt ran some lead bullets in case a Privateer should tackle us. at sun set shortened sail ends with strong winds

Friday 28<sup>th</sup>. Light winds ran two sails steering to the Eastward. ran fair backs. watch employed picking over potatoes made two swabs wet hold at sun set shortened sail Cloudy with lightning ends with light airs

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup>. Light winds from the N. W. made sail at sunrise ran fair back ran three sails at 11 A. M. spoke Bark. A R. Tucker of New Bedford just one month out clean all hands & letters except me I don't like it pretty much I only wish I had not written a letter home this voyage for I know know that they don't care any thing about me well I can't blame them for I'm a poor miserable skunk and we gamea with the A R Tarter 11 P. M. this day ends with a calm



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Bark John Dawson of New Bedford

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> of June Commenced with light  
air pleasant weather. several sails in sight  
after dinner Capt went on board the Merchant Bark  
Lucy A Nichols of Lanesport from Bristol England  
bound to Lanesport Maine. at sun set took in  
light sails

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> of July 1861 Light winds watch  
employed making swabs knotting rope yarns  
&c. wet hold took in light sails at sun  
set saw a Comet in the Evening saw several  
sails

Tuesday 2 Pleasant weather fresh breeze from  
the N.W. saw several sails spoke and game  
with Bark Robert Morrison of New Bedford  
Uncle Sylvanus Came on board here brought  
me a letter and furnished Ambrotype plate  
me all the news at sun set shortened  
sail on the Port tack heading to the N.W.

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup>. Fresh breeze from the West  
steering off the wind on the Port tack. heads  
N.N.W. the R. M. in sight

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> of July Light winds saw 5 sails  
some of them gambling enjoying the fourth of July  
at 12 o'clock lowered the Boats for Blackfish  
larboard Boat got one Cam on board got dinner  
Capt went off again shot at one and missed  
him. shot at two more and hit them where he  
did the first one this is the way we enjoyed  
our fourth of July at 5 games with Barks  
Robert Morrison & Elizabeth at 12 o'clock Came  
on board so ends this 4<sup>th</sup> of July. I forgot to  
mention we had some fireworks aboard the Elizabeth  
Roman candles and sky rockets



## Journal kept on board Bark

Friday 5th of July Pleasant weather several sails in sight employed mincing and boiling Blackfish blubber at 12 M. finished boiling washed ship and wet hold took in light sails at sun set lowered for Blackfish but did not get near enough to strike

Saturday 6th. Pleasant saw two sails one a large ship with main sky sail set we cant see any thing that looks like a sperm whale saw a thin back at sun set shortened ail

Sunday 7th Fresh wind from the NW made sail at sun rise. in the afternoon gained with Brigs Argo of Fozal. & Schooner E. W. Watfield of Provincetown. saw a Spanish Brig

Monday 8th. Light winds afternoon Calm one year ago to day I struck a whale. saw a Brig and a ship. sewed the jib sheets sewed some leather on the fore royal shrouds &c at 9 P.M. clawed down the top sails Calm

Tuesday 9th. Dead Calm watch employed knotting rope yards sewed some leathers on the main royal shrouds saw three sails. at 8 P.M. made sail light baffling air

Wednesday 10th. Light winds and Calm saw two sails saw Breckes. broke out Butter and water so on and so forth

Thursday 11th. Light air saw two sails at 6 AM saw breeches run for them but saw no more of them



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John Dawson of New Bedford.

Friday 12th of July Light winds and Calms at 12 O'clock saw 77 sails After dinner Capt. Wind on board of an English merchant ship from Bombay bound to Liverpool at sun set saw 27 sails from our mast head took in top gallant sails at 10 P.M. Came near running into an English Bark

Saturday 13th. Light winds saw several merchant ships saw sperm whales at first Called them Sperm Whales got the boats all ready and found our selves sucked in. saw blackfish 30 on VC took in top gallant sails at sun set

Sunday 14th. Light winds and variable saw one sail at 12 O'clock picked up a piece of timber 42 feet long hoisted it in on deck found it to be yellow pine. at sun set Capt Cornell went aboard the Bark Atlantic Mr Wicks and Mr Cottle came here gained until half past 12

Monday 15. Light Airs and Calms Capt Sherman of the Atlantic came aboard here in the morning Mr Wicks and Bassett came to gained until 3 P.M. a light breeze sprang up wet the hold and washed off. at 10 P.M. Capt Cornell came on deck and picked up a muss with Sam for nothing at all a sensible man would not said a word Godfrey will overreach himself yet if he keeps on I don't know but he has already

Tuesday 16th. Light winds and pleasant weather picked up a yellow pine plank 35 feet long fitted new fore top mast staysail pendants fitted fore royal lifts &c saw 9 sails



# Journal kept on board the Whaling

Wednesday 17th of July Commences with fresh breezes from the N.W. at sun rise made sail ran white water off weather bow employed dubbing off a plank I made an iron pole and set up an iron at sun set shortened sail ends blowing strong from the West ran 3 sails saw Grampuses Finbacks & Porpoises

Thursday 18th. Blowing strong from the Westward broke out the blubber room for water, picked up a vessel's hatch. steering different courses under double reefed topsails and fore sail ran & back steering to the N.E. wore several times furled the foresail at sun set

Friday 19th Strong breezes thick weather saw Finbacks Blackfish Grampuses & Porpoises saw one sail we can see most anything but a sperm whale wet the hold &c

Saturday 20th. Fresh breezes thick damp weather saw Finbacks Grampuses and one sail - at sun set shortened sail on the Starboard tack heading South

Sunday 21st. Strong winds from the West damp atmosphere plenty of Finbacks in sight made sail at sun rise undertook to tack missed stage on account of bad management of the Captain so we had to backhaul round said he would make Tinkham curl his lip the other way if he laughs at his working ship its too bad to laugh at any body for what they don't know



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Bark John Dawson of New Bedford.

Monday 22nd of July Strong wind from the West steering by the wind under double reefed top sails about Courses ran Grampuses damp muggy weather wet the hold &c Capt has got the papers all

Tuesday 23rd. Blowing strong from the West furl'd mainsail 11bb after 12 o'clock ran a Bark steering about East this <sup>day</sup> ends rainy and squally.

Wednesday 24th. Commences rainy wind variable P.M. made sail breezed up strong furl'd the light sails and double reefed the fore top sail after 4 P.M. gamed with Barkes Lafayette of New Bedford. & Ocean of Sandwich gamed until 10 P.M. these 24 hours ends with light baffling air heavy swell

Thursday 25th. Made sail at sun rise the Lafayette & Ocean in sight the weather looks cloudy at 12 M. under double reefed top sails Courses furl'd, wore 3 times Blowing a gale from the Northward,

Friday 26th. Made sail at sun rise light wind and variable saw several sails the Ocean in sight. watch employed variously in ships duty at 2 P.M. Capt went on board the Ocean and the Mate of the O. Came here gamed until 10 P.M. — wind light so ends, wet hold

Saturday 27th. Commenced with pleasant weather the Ocean and 3 other sails in sight at 12 o'clock M. under double reefed top sails Blowing strong at 2 P.M. laying to under double reefed main top sail rainy and blowing a gale



Journal kept on board the Whaling

Sunday 28th of July Commences with strong winds from the NE under double reefed top sails Bark Lafayette and several sails in sight. Had a Westport gam with the Lafayette

Monday 29th. Light winds and pleasant several sails in sight. Broke out for Bread Water and sail Cask. Cooper repairing Casks. Wet hold Joe Fox is getting to be quite a pay tour here the head earling of the main sail up Potter has been to work on his dingy gear jib at sun set shortened sail

Tuesday 30th Pleasant weather saw several sails in sight at 3 A M wore made sail at sunrise at 12 M. tocked watched employed variously in ships duty at sun set double reefed the top sails at 10 furled the main sail at 12 blowing hard furled fore top sail fore sail jib & Spunker

Wednesday 31st Blowing strong from the WNW saw several sails shofke Schooner Emerald of Fairhaven Capt Chedworth. we had a Westport gam the E has 140 Sperm. 10 months out at sun set Capt E went on board of his own vessel Choe I hope he won't come aboard here any more saw white water

Thursday 1st of August Light air and variable three sails in sight. Watch employed setting up jib guys stays &c. I hope if ever I come a whaling again I shall get with a man one that I can respect not a thing like this Capt is for he is neither man nor anything else he has not one good principle not even one



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Bark John Dawson of New Bedford

Friday 2nd of August Strong breeze under double reefed top sails. straggled fore and main top gallant brace blocks wet hold saw the schooner Emerald.

Saturday 3rd. Rainy and strong winds saw two sails - Capt Achimshorn all day but don't allow any one else to do it. he has two potatoes boiled. Mornings for his officers at breakfast time.

Sunday 4th. Thick damp muggy weather weather spoke an American Brig Julia Wood of Wamsiden


Monday 5th Rainy and squally saw Schooner Emerald employed making and taking in sail at sun set shortened sail saw two sails

Tuesday 6th. Fresh breezes watch employed variously in ships duty steering by the wind heading to the W.S.W.

Wednesday 7th. Fresh breezes and heavy swell made sail George Kanaka raised sperm whales going to windward, did not get near enough to truly ascertain whether they were sperm whales beat to windward all day saw two sails at sun set double reefed the top sails

Thursday 8th. Strong winds from the W.S.W. steering by the wind on the port tack thick overcast atmosphere rainy at times



Journal kept on board the whaling Bark  
Friday 9th. Light wind and Calm most of  
the time Calm Chased sperm whales all  
day but could not get near enough to get fast  
At 4 P.M. arrived on board wet hold and washed  
off the decks shortened sail at sun set   
the whales were going quick to the E & E  
if we had had a good breeze we should have struck

Saturday 10th. Raining light air made sail  
at sun rise raised all the forenoon and part of  
the afternoon at 6 P.M. lowered the Larboard boat for  
a whale that we did not see at sun set hoisted the  
Boat up again clued down the top sails and  
double reefed them Raining pitchforks times  
first and after reefing Capt said need not  
hoist up the sails until it stopped raining being  
we were all wet as drowned Rats

Sunday 11th. In the forenoon had strong  
wind PM light winds saw two sails and  
saw white water at sun set shortened sail  
Calm

Monday 12th. Blowing a gale from the SSW  
watch employed making mat for Mr T & yard Mr  
D. making leading boards for Mizzen rigging wet hold  
John Bell is sick with a sore back

Tuesday 13th. Strong winds from the NW watch  
employed making mats Mr D finished one of his  
leading boards at sun set took in all sail except close  
reefed main top sail hoisted boats on the upper cranes.  
Capt is afraid it is going to blow a gale of wind he is  
easily scared



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John Dawson of New Bedford

Wednesday 14th. Strong winds from the N.W. on the port tack heading N.E. made sail at sun rise Caught a lot of Albacores. we have got a barrel full salted to eat when our salt junk is all gone but that won't be this year for the men forward get 4 ounces a day Capt scrimshawe every day and has Cooper to help him. but don't allow any one else to do it — saw several sails during the day shortened sail at sun set

Thursday 15th. Light airs and Calm employed working in the rigging made sail at sun rise Capt scrimshawe he had two Roosters for his dinner

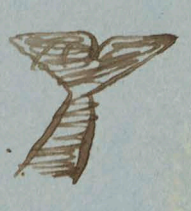
Friday 16th. Raining and blowing strong Employed working in the rigging at 12 M fukled the fore top sail I lost my foot overboard

Saturday 17th. Strong winds when I was relieved at the mast head at 12 M. I felt rather bad so I went below and laid up Frank Potter took my watch at night. Capt says it can't be Rheumatism for I have not been exposed any if I haven't been exposed this voyage I don't know what he calls exposure but any how can't expect any more from a Hog than a grunt

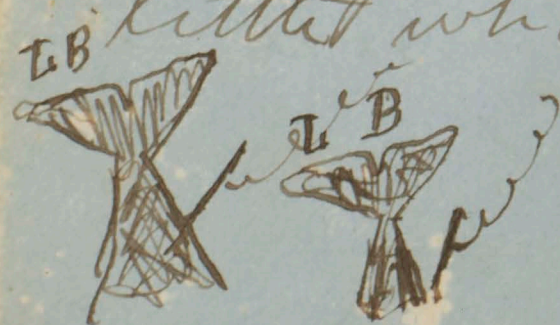
Sunday 18th. Blowing strong raining at times I am off duty today but feel better than I did last night. we are 25 months out today — I wish I was at home — at sun set shortened sail. the Steward is real good to me and I shan't forget him for it perhaps I shall have a chance to do something for him some time.



Journal kept on board the Whaling  
Monday 19th of Aug 1861 Blowing strong from the  
Southward, I came on duty this morning.  
Watch employed working in the riggin making  
and taking in sail sailing at times saw a large  
school of Porpoises. wore several times broke out  
for a cask of Bread wet the hold just before sun  
set lowered the starboard Boat and took a large  
timber along side side got up tackles and took it  
in on deck raising most of the time had a awful time  
getting it in worked all night cutting it up such  
is life aboard of a blubber hunter

Tuesday 20 Pleasant wind fresh. steering to the S'  
Employed working in the main riggin at 2 PM saw  
Sperm Whales going to windward lowered the Boats  
at 3.30 PM. Came on board at dark without  
success all sail set beating to windward 

Wednesday 21st Strong wind and rugged under  
double reefed topsails. at 9 AM. John Kanaka raised  
Sperm whales at 12 lowered the Boats the Starboard  
Boat went on and struck a whale Mr Albert killed  
a loose whale with his lance another whale got foul  
in our line and parted it Mr Dunton picked  
up the one Mr A lanced the starboard and  
Starboard boats followed the whales up the  
Starboard Boat went on and struck again  
the iron drawn could not get near enough  
to fasten again our ship was nearly out of sight to  
windward we went and made fast astern  
of the whaling Schooner Geo W. Lewis of Provincetown  
3 months but 25 barrells of sperm at 4 PM. we all  
arrived aboard the old John Dawson again went to work  
and cut the whale in. this is what I call hard luck  
this is the first whale our boat has lost this voyage  
after getting fast if our line hadnt parted we should  
have got a good cut of oil as it is we have only one  
little whale commenced to boil so much



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Barge John Dawson of New Bedford.

Thursday 22nd All hands on deck to boil out this big whale spoke schooner Geo W Lewis. Strong winds smoky weather finished boiling at 12 M. afternoon Had a watch below shortened sail at sun set so ends

Friday 23rd Strong winds and thick weather Mr Albert and I am making a sail for our Boat we tore the old one all to pieces the other day after the whales Took the fat clean oil out of the pots and cleaned them Cooper is at work hewing the old mans log Mr Duntlin working on the main riggin Coiled new line in our large tub Wet hold we saw several merchant ships

Saturday 24 The weather Continues the same Mr A and me are working on our sail got it done and bent it. at sun set shortened sail

Sunday 25th. Fresh wind from the southward steering by the wind on the port tack heading SW made sail at sun rise saw nothing like a whale shortened sail again at sun set Godfrey quarrelled with Mr Albert He dont allow his mate to know enough to over haul bristlines and stop them

Monday 26th. Pleasant weather employed rattlin town the main riggin rose now fore top gallant braces we are working from sun rise to sun set now some folks ashore think sailors have nothing to do but to sit and see the wind blow them along



Journal Kept on board the Whaling

Tuesday 27th. Fresh breezes employed rattling the main rigging gamed with Bark Elizabeth of Westford, 3 months out 85 sperm. At sun set luffed to the wind and shortened sail stowed 10 barrels of oil down the afterhold.

Wednesday 28th. Moderate wind from the SSW Employed rattling the main rigging &c. shortened sail at sun set I wish we could get some oil and go home. We hear they are having awful times in the United States.

Thursday 29th Strong wind from the SSW Watch employed working in the rigging wet the hold. Capt says he will have more oil if he goes to the River plate after it.

Thursday 29th. Strong wind from the SSW Employed working in the rigging at 4 P.M. Had her under close reefed main top sail rainy blowing strong at sun set blowing a gale secured things about the decks took the boats on the upper cranes.

Friday 30th. Commences blowing a gale at 12.M. more moderate set fore top sail & P.M. under double reefed top sails and fore sail steering various courses we steer so many different courses that I can't keep run of them. Watch employed working in the rigging wet hold at sun set shortened sail.

Saturday 31st. Moderate wind N.W. made sail wore heaving to the N.E. at sun set double reefed the fore top sail furled flying jib & fore top sail at 10 P.M. furled main sail top gallant sail double reefed the No 1 sail.



Barke John Dawson of New Bedford

Sunday 1st of September Blowing strong from the W. S. W. steering by the Wind under double reefed top sails and fore sail at 12 M. furled fore sail & set jib & spanker furled them again & I wonder how many more Sabbath days have I got to see aboard the old John Dawson this voyage Sam Howland says He is going to have three girls when he gets home one in New Hampshire one in Dartmouth and one in New Bedford I tell him if he don't look out he'll get tripe'd up

Monday 2nd. Commences with fresh winds from the W. S. W. made sail in the morning but came on to blow and we had to take it up again at 12 M under double reefed top sails after dinner Called the watch below up to reef the top sails over again Godfrey says if they don't reef them as they ought to he'll keep them reefing all day had the earrings hove taught with heaves. Wet hold. humbugging all day

Tuesday 3rd. Strong winds the wind moderated for about 15 minutes Godfrey made all sail but it came on to blow again as any sensible man would have known so we had to take the rags in again had us setting up the martingale back chains and every minute or two she would pitch us under water if ever I come a whaling again I hope I shall get with a Captain that knows something not a thing like this one that thinks he knows every thing and at the same time knows but a very little and I don't believe he has got any heart if he has it is a small one and black at that — Sam Grampusse shortened sail at sun set at 9 were heading to the W S W



Journal Kept on board Parque John Dawson

Wednesday 4th of Sept 1861 Strong wind from the NW on the Starboard tack heaving to the WSW employed putting rattines on the Mizzen Rigging Capt had the Stop Cask on deck yesterday telling to sell the Crew some clothes as he calls them he made out to sell a few P.M. Commenced to rattle the fore rigging Ran Fairbacks at sun set took in the Courses

Thursday 5th. Light Airs and Calm Watch Employed rattling down the fore rigging at 5 P.M. got the rattines all on at sun set shortened sail steering SE by E with a light breeze at 9 double reefed the Main topsails.

Friday 6th Light breeze from the Westward made sail at sun rise ~~look~~ out one side of the after hold for Pork at 9 P.M. got all stowed back. steering N.E. by E. at sun set shortened sail and buffed to the Wind at 12 wore round so ended

Saturday 7th. Commences squally rainy furlled the foretop sail at 3 A.M. at sun rise made sail cleared off light winds from the Westward. steering different Courses to the Eastward. at 1 P.M. raised 1 Sperm Whales Coming to windward lowered away the Boats the starboard Boat struck and the Iron drewed the whale stove the Boat Chaises the whales to windward but the whales were going to quick gave them up and came on board got a Boat down from the bearers put her on the starboard cranes took the other one in on deck at sun set furlled fore top gallant sail steering close to the wind at 8 tacked at half past 9 tacked again at 12 tacked again. if this isn't luck I wouldn't say so it seems to me as though there were no more oil for us





Written by one of the Boat Steerers

Sunday 8th. Light winds and variable pleasant steering various Courses looking for the Whales that we cannot see took a dip several times at sun set shortened sail at 12 wore so ends saw Grampuses.

Monday 9th. Strong winds attended with Rain Mr Albert is repairing the Capt's boat for he is to lay to do it himself employed making and taking in sail Whitehead down in the Cabin Raging back at 4 P.M. Mr A got the Boat finished West side and washed off the decks at 12 wore so ends

Tuesday 10th. Good weather steering different Courses to the N.W. & W.S.W. &c. Watch employed variously some rattling the Mizzen Rigger scraping masts and slushing Copper painting blocks saw one sail at sun set shortened sail put the repaired Boat out on the Starboard Cranes and took the other one in


Wednesday 11th. Strong breezes from the S.S.W steering to the N.W. Employed repairing fore top sail saw one sail at 4 P.M. bent the fore top sail again saw White Water at sun set shortened sail this day ends rainy wind from the W.S.W.

Thursday 12th. Strong breezes Cloudy weather made sail at sun risk steering to the N.W. Wind from the N.E. Employed setting up main top mast shrouds one of them parted put a stopper on it afternoon breezing on and rainy had as much as we wanted to do to tie up the rags at sun set blowing a gale and raining laying to under close reefed main top sail secured everything for a blow at 12 blowing heavy so ends



Journal kept on board Bark John Dawson

Friday 13th. & Left 1861 Commences with a  
gale from the E by S. at day light began to make  
sail heavy swell running, which moderated at 12 M  
had all sail set except double reefed fore topsail  
employed variously in ship's duty Cooper repairing  
nose and painting bands round the heads of the lower of  
masts wet hauled at 4<sup>PM</sup> at 12 furlow main sail set  
topsail & flying jib so ends heading S by E.

Saturday 14th. Commences with light winds  
and pleasant made all sail at sun rise steering  
by the wind heading S S E on the port tack one  
sail in sight at 11 A.M. spoke the Bark A R Tucker  
of New Bedford Capt Cornell went aboard the A R T  
gaining at 10 A.M. raised sperm whales lowered  
all the boats from both ships the whales were  
gallied by Porpoises. Chased the whales all day  
three boats went after one pod of whales and  
three after another 2nd & 3rd mates of the A R T  
and Capt Cornell went to gether to Mr D Mr A  
and the 1st mate of the A R T were together Capt  
Cornell got out of his boat into the second mate  
of the A R T's boat and they struck and the  
third mate of the Tucker killed the whale   
the two ships were out of sight of one another  
so we had to go aboard the A R T and stop  
all night the other three boats took the whale  
along side of the Samson and cut him in

Sunday 15th. Strong breezes at day light our two boats  
came aboard of old John again they had the whale all  
cut in except the head got breakfast and then took  
the head in one boats crew from the Tucker aboard  
here. saw a merchant ship commenced to boil  
all hands busy bailing case and cutting up junk  
and blubber at sunset the Tucker's boats crew went  
aboard their own ship we were several times



Monday 16th. Dight freezes all hands Employed  
Coiling the Tuckers in right at 2 P.M. finished  
Coiling put on the fat lean wet hold spoke the  
Tuckers at sun set the turned up 35 barrels half  
belongs to the A R T because we mated when we  
lowered for the whales

Tuesday 17th. Strong winds and rugges at 10 A.M.  
Rise sperm Whales mated with the A R T  
and lowered away our Boat went along side  
of a whale and struck and Mr Albert killed  
the whale the thura mate of the T struck after  
the whale was spouting blood and Mr Duntin  
struck to. the whale soon turned up the Tuckers  
Boat cut and went to leeward Mr Duntin stayed  
with us wind increasing and a heavy sea running  
Both ships left us to windward and run of to  
leeward after more whales the mate of the T  
struck and drew. wind increased to a gale  
Mr D left us and went on board to beat  
the Bark up to us Capt C was aboard the Tucker  
it blowed so hard could not carry sail on the  
ship and an awful sea running I expected  
our boat would swamp we hung to the whale  
5 hours we had to cut line and leave the whale  
as the ship could not come to us we was obliged  
to keep the Boat right before the sea for fear she  
would swamp at and got aboard again if ever  
I thought of home I thought of it when I was  
laying by that whale wet through and shaking  
with cold. the second mate of the Tucker was  
aboard of us we put old John under close reefed  
main top sail blowing hard and heavy sea  
this is luck I think the best thing we can do  
is to go home but as I did not ship to think  
we shall have to stay a while longer.



I B.



Journal Kept on board Bark John Dawson

Wednesday 18th. Commenced With strong breezes made sail at sun rise steering by the wind on the Port tack the A B Tucker to windward Capt C. and boats crew aboard of her wind moderated made all sail searching for the dead whale at sun set Capt C. Came on board in one of the Tuckers boats minus of his own boat as she was washed off the cranes yesterday and had to let her go Mr Snell and his boats crew returned to their own ship again Capt C. Came on deck in my watch and asked me which ship ought to have taken the whale I told him I thought the John Dawson had because she was nearest to us when the whale turned up, telling him so made him vexed for it was going against him he asked one of the foremast hands what he sided in with the Capt. Capt Cornell said I could do my damndest and when we get home I will do my damndest he said he would hurt me all he could, he asked me my opinion and I told him and I dont think I have done any thing wrong he cant say but what I have done my duty and struck all the whales I have had a chance to strike and <sup>nearly</sup> half the oil we have taken I have struck — well he can run me as much as he likes he cant do me any I dont care whether I come whaling again or not I dont think I shall starve if I do not.

Thursday 19th. Light air and Calm employed the boat down from the beavers put her on the starboard cranes at 3 P M. lowered for Sperm whales it was calm we tried to get on to them but could not chased them until 8 P M. came on board without success hard luck I should think. took in light sails & hauled the courses up A B Tucker in sight





by one of the Boat Steers. Atlantic Ocean  
 Friday 20th. Commences with light winds  
 the A R Tucker in sight made all sail steering  
 to the Eastward employed variously in ship's  
 duty at 12 M. spoke the Tucker. Ran two more  
 sails to windward. and one to leeward at sun  
 set gamed with the Tucker, gam gam gam I'm  
 sick and tired of gaming, tacked heading West by N

Saturday 21st. Strong breezes all hands employed  
 stowing down Oil at 12 finished. Ran Tamp  
 backs made all sail Capt thought they were sperm  
 whales got the Boats ready and then found out  
 they Tamp backs P.M. all hands employed washing  
 and scraping the A R Tucker in sight she goes  
 to windward two miles to our one. At sunset  
 shortened sail on the starboard tack heading  
 S by W.

Sunday 22nd. Strong breezes at 1 A.M. wore at 6 wore  
 again made sail several sails in sight at 8 1/2 AM.  
 raised white water off weather bow got near enough  
 to see spouts called them sperm whales they were  
 going to windward made all sail and beat after  
 them at 3 P.M. Came up with them lowered  
 the boats Capt's boat got fast the iron drawn out  
 and the whales started off to windward Eyes out  
 so we came on board again Capt took the harpoon  
 that drew from the whale cut the head off and  
 threw it over board at sunset shortened sail and  
 hauled head yards back

Monday 23rd. Light winds and heavy swell at  
 10 A.M. lowered for sperm whales they were going to wind-  
 ward Could not get near enough to strike saw the  
 whale we struck yesterday Came on board at 3 P.M.  
 saw a Bark off the lee quarter thick hazy weather at  
 dark double reefed the top sails dry weather since  
 from the S.W. on the starboard tack



Journal kept on board Bark Ino Dawson

Tuesday 24th. Left Light winds from the S. Westward employed breaking out the after hold for Coal finished at half past 9 A.M. set up one of the main top mast shrouds after dinner unbent the main sail repaired it bent it again at 4 P.M.

Wednesday 25th. Strong breezes from the W & W. steering by the wind on the port tack employed putting rattlines on the main top mast rigging P.M. unbent fore top mast stay sail repaired it and bent it again at 4 —

Cook changed his clothes today the first time he has changed them for a long time. I should like for some of the delicate young ladies at home to see how nice and clean our Cook keeps himself. Cooper and some of the Paylors has been hewing off a plank at sun set close reefed the main top sail.

Thursday 26th. Strong breezes steering to the S.E. at 2 P.M. spoke Bark A. B. Tucker she has taken a 50 barrel whale since we saw her we have been putting rattlines on the top mast rigging put some reef points in the fore top sail ran two more sails at sunset shortened sail at 9 furled fore top sail at 12 wore.

Friday 27th. Strong winds from the North made sail at sunrise broke out the after hold for water at 7 A.M. wore heading E & E. The Tucker and two other sails on sight while we was shortening sail last night by the carelessness of the Cooper Stewards curtain caught on fire had it not been for the extreme exertions of Capt. B. & our noble Cook the steerage would have been all on fire. Cooper says will be more careful next time with his lamp.



by one of the ~~Seward~~ Atlantic Ocean  
 Saturday 28th of Oct. Strong breezes the APT  
 in sight steering by the wind at daylight  
 Capt C went aboard the Tucker stayed a  
 short time Came on board again he got 2  
 new Harpoons two for his own boat and  
 gave me one in the afternoon saw sperm  
 Whales going to windward gallied them  
 with the ship did not lower the boats  
 at 4 P.M. Took 28 barrells of sperm oil  
 on board from the Tucker to take home for  
 her that is if we ever go home

Sunday 29th. Strong winds the Tucker still  
 in sight a Brig passed in the afternoon steering  
 to the Eastward I should like to have spoken  
 her and got some late news from the States as  
 we think she was from some part of them at  
 sun set we shortened sail. when shall  
 we get home

Monday 30th. Light air Calm at times the  
 Tucker still in sight at daylight Called all hands  
 and broke out the after hold to stow Oil down  
 at 7 George Kanaka raised Sperm whales got the  
 boats ready and lowered away about 9 o'clock  
 the Leeward boat got fast the Tuckers boats  
 were there and Capt C mated the mate of the Tucker  
 struck next another whale got our line in her  
 jaw and parted from the one we struck the  
 we struck the one that had our line in her jaw  
 killed her Capt's boat got the first one we struck  
 the third mate of the Tucker struck the same  
 whale their mate was fast to and the boat steerer  
 killed her with his crew at 1 P.M. Took the three  
 alongside of the fore Dawson then we turned to  
 and stowed down 28 barrells of oil and cut the  
 whales in took one of the whales in whole finished  
 cutting at 9 in the evening in the mean time the Tucker  
 boats followed the whales up and they captured two  
 more whales

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Journal kept on board Bark Jno Dawson

Tuesday 1st of Oct 1861. Fresh breeze rainy we run down to the Tucker Capt Cornell went aboard of her stayed a while raised whales from the Jno Dawson old man came aboard lowered two boats the whale was going to windward and it being rainy we had no chance to strike came on board again commenced to boil but had to cool down again on account of rain commenced to boil again

Wednesday 2nd. Light winds thick weather employed boiling the Tucker in sight and another sail saw Whitewater had to cool down the works several times on account of rain at dark shortened sail finished boiling the body put the fat lean in the pots cleared it the decks. VC on the port tack heading ENE

Thursday 3rd. Fresh breeze steering so many different courses I can't keep run of them the A B Tucker still in sight. Watch employed variously some working in the rigging some cleaning the pots boiling utensils VC at sun set spoke the A B Tucker. Sweet the hold shortened sail at sunset for a blow

Friday 4th. Pleasant weather most of the day light fair employed Coopering Oil taking down working in the rigging at 4 P M. Took 25 barrels of Sperm oil and one barrel of Turpentine on board to take home for the A B Tucker at dark blowing strong shortened sail I had some trouble with one of my watch I told him to take off the fore hatch and he said he would not do it because it was his lookout I struck him and we hooked I called Capt seized him in the main rigging kept him half an hour and then let him go the promising to do better, ends with a gale raining at times



Saturday 5th. Blowing a gale laying to under close reefed main topsail the A R Tucker in sight raining at times at 3 PM set double reefed fore topsail at dark furled it again this day end blowing a gale from the N West

Sunday 6th. Blowing strong at sunrise shook & reefed out the main topsail and set the fore sail kept off steering steering S E. the A R Tucker was to windward and when he saw us running off he put off after us we luffed to the larboard across our stern and Capt Sprinell wanted to get a large piece of rope we had to secure a whale with I believe he had made the bargain with Cornell before so after some time he succeeded in getting it on board then he was not satisfied with it so we lowered our waist boat and Mr Duntlin went to the A R Tucker but Capt Sprinell said he renegated it back and he would take so Mr Duntlin came on board again Capt I was dissatisfied about the price well when Mr D got on board we hove up and kept off steering S E by S. for the Western islands this day chose up with fresh winds all sail set

Monday 7th. Fresh breezes from the N West steering S E by S. all hands employed stowing down all stowed 50 barrels down half of it belonging to the Bark A R Tucker. she is out of sight to day and I guess we shant see her again very soon at 8 A.M. raised the islands of Corvo and Flores bearing S by E. by Compass at sun set we was close to Flores Capt took a boat to go on shore to see if we could get water or not but got within 2 miles of the shore and found it very rugged so he turned back and went aboard again then we kept off and steered for Loyal made with light airs from the N W



Journal kept on board Bark Fox Dawson

Tuesday 8th. of Oct. Commenced with light winds steering S.E. by South. all sail set with the exception of taking the rigging and putting rattles on the fore top mast. rigging P.M. strong wind and increasing raised Fog at dark hove to under close reefed top sails about 8 miles from the land at 9 were blowing a gale raining at times so ends

Wednesday 9th. Commenced with a gale from the N.W. furled the fore top sail. wore several times at daylight set fore top sail close reefed at 7 A.M. set the fore sail at 8 A.M. we were off the town Fog at Capt went ashore got our letters and sent the Boat off again I got one letter from Mary Jane. and 3 from Mr. Wicks. sent Casko ashore to get water the Boat was going off land on all day spoke the Bark Lodon at sunset we took in all sail except close reefed top sails and stood out to sea Capt & ashore laying back wind increased to a gale furled the fore top sail at 11 set it again so ends.

Thursday 10th. At 1 A.M. commenced to make sail at 3 were heading in for the land at 7 A.M. sent the Boat ashore stayed a few moments and came off again after dinner a lighter came off with our water we hoisted it in sent a cask of Bread one of Molasses 2 coils of Manila towline and one chest of Tea. Mr. Albert got ready and we went ashore just as the was going to get out of the Boat on to the pier a heavy breaker took the Boat and whirled us over 3 or 4 times Mr. A got hurt some against a rock. but as good luck would have it we all escaped without any great injury the breaker was about 20 feet high breaking on to a solid rock Capt & was on the wharf and all the care about was the Boat no matter how many of us got killed. well we got the stowed Boat on board at dark all on board getting out to sea as fast as possible ends with light baffling winds



Home Ward bound 1000 bbls of Sperm

Friday 11<sup>th</sup>. Commences with light winds steering by the wind on the port tack heading to the NW at sun rise Commenced to breeze on took in the fore top gallant sail put up preventer fore top gallant back stays at 12 furled flying jib and gaff top sail at 1 P.M. furled main top gallant sail at 3 set it again. met the hole at dark furled it again and double reefed. Blowing almost a gale at 9 in the evening found ourselves between Corvo and Flores, ends with baffling winds and rainy wore around.

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup>. Blowing a gale watch employed making and taking in sail ran Flores. split fore top mast stay sail unbent it repaired it and bent it again soon as it so forth wind dead ahead when we are Homeward bound from such a voyage as this is enough to set a fellow crazy at dark under close reefed main top sail laying to blowing a gale from the NW so much

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup>. Commences with a gale made sail at sun rise. Flores and Corvo in sight afternoon more moderate made more sail at dark had all sail set steering by the wind heading Westward on the starboard tack. I wonder how many more Sundays we have got to see aboard this old hulk not many I hope

Monday 14<sup>th</sup>. Light air and calm all hands employed breaking out the fore peak shocking Casks and stowing them away taring the rigging rove new fore top gallant sheets flying jib down haul main topside halliards fore topside runner bent main royal new gaskets on the top gallant yards rove new fore and main buntlines took the starboard boat in on deck to repair her soon and so forth this day ends with a calm



~~Journal~~ Journal kept on board Bk <sup>Geo</sup> Dawson  
HOME-WARD BOUND.

Tuesday 15th of Oct Commences with a calm  
Employed repairing the starboard boat calking the  
steron taring the rigging at half past 9 A.M.  
Called all hands to scrub ship out side at  
sun set got her all washed outside this  
day ends with light winds from the W & W  
SW for a fair wind

Wednesday 16th. Light breeze from the W & W  
steering by the wind heading North Employed  
repairing Boat taring rigging scraping rail &c  
this day ends with thick weather light wind  
and the wind is still ahead

Thursday 17th. Foggy weather weather at 4  
A.M. wind hauled to the North tackled  
heading W & W. wet the hold before  
daylight. Watch employed scraping the  
rail repairing Boat. Mr Albert does  
all the repairing Boats finished the Boat and  
put her on the cranes again this day ends with  
a fair wind steering W & W

Friday 18th. We are 27 Months out to day  
all hands at work some painting yards painting  
the ship out side taring down putting battens  
on the fore top mast rigging knocking the rust  
off the Anchors with less brakes and various  
other things going on to numerous to mention  
light airs and calms but what little wind  
there is, is fair at dark had a little rain to  
crow all wind variable some times going her  
course and some times she won't go it  
we work from sun rise to sun set every day  
and we are about as far along now as when  
we commenced



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On a Whaling Voyage to the Atlantic Ocean  
Some word of Bound.

Saturday 19th. Commences with light winds  
and variable steering by the wind on the port  
tack broke out the after hold before day light  
for a barrell of Beef and a Cask of Molasses but  
lo and behold the Molasses was salt water  
well when we got through down the after hold  
we went into the fore hold pumped a cask of  
water and got out a Cask of Flour. Afternoon  
had strong breezes from the W S' W. steering by  
the wind heading N W. at dark double reefed  
blowing strong at 10 under close reefed main  
topsail sailing

Sunday 20th. Commences with strong wind  
from the Northward at 9 A M were set fore sail  
fore topsail at 3 set jib and spanker wind more  
moderate hauled to the N E. at 9 A M had all  
sail set at 12 M. light winds from the East  
I wonder how many more Sundays we shall  
see aboard the old John before we reach our port  
of destination two more I guess. At sunset  
light air and with fresh breezes from the S S' W  
steering by the wind all sail set

Monday 21st. Commences with fresh wind from  
the S S' W. steering by the wind. at 3 A M. strong  
wind double reefed the fore topsail at 5 furled  
Main top gallant sail at 7 double reefed the Main  
topsail blowing heavy at 10 A M. Laying to under  
close reefed M T S. blowing a gale wind hauled  
to the N W. wore ship. We have been to work lashing  
our spare spars amidships and every few moments  
a good big sea would come aboard and wet us through  
the deck it is of spite but we don't spite me  
any one consolation it won't be much longer  
that is we hope it won't — this day ends with  
a heavy gale from the N W



# Home ward Bound Bark Jan Dawson

Tuesday 22nd of Oct Commences blowing a gale from the North laying to under close reefed Main topsail at 4 P.M. set fore sail and fore topsail at sun set set jibb and spanker the wind moderated gradually so we continued to make sail

Wednesday 23rd. Commences with moderate breezes from the N.W. at 5 A.M. had all sail set a heavy swell running employed setting up main topgallant stays and Mizzen topgallant stays afternoon had all hands on deck unbent fore and main topsails bent the main foreward broke out a sail Coak got out a new main topsail and bent it. Calm at sun set light baffling winds tackes several times

Thursday 24th. Commences with light winds from W.N.W. steering by the wind heading Northward at 3 A.M. wind came out from the S.West steering N.W. set main royal wet hold before day light in the forenoon broke out the afterhold for Beef Pork Hams Cheese Raisins Soap sugar &c. Steward says we broke out all these, what so Horse, P.M. employed strapping tackle blocks to the starboard and larboard Boats saw two sails during the day. passed by a spike long Boat at sunset the weather looked thick and rainy Long at 12 this noon was 46. 1/2 West. this day ends with strong winds from the S.West



# From A Whaling Voyage to the Atlantic

Friday 25th of Oct Commences with strong Winds from the South West. steering N W by W half West at 5 A M. the Wind suddenly shifted to the North Carried away Main royal yard Broke into two in the rings. Clewed up topgallant sails clewed down topsails hauled up Courses double reefed the topsails furled all the light sails braced around the yards Bunge and I went up Clewed away main royal yard and sent it down. Raining all the time at 8 A M. began to make sail Wind moderated at 12 Had Every thing set Capt has one of the Portuguese down the Cabin cleaning his tools on the Ship tools but I suppose he calls them his own he'll have them all Carted off to Westport when we get home. the Water looks green. in the afternoon had strong Winds took in foretopgallant sail flying jibb and Left top rail Employed washing the bulwarks inside ends with fresh breezes from the North

Saturday 26th. All these 24 hours had moderate Wind from the N E and East a large Merchant ship in sight Employed painting heads of masts and lower masts in the afternoon had all hands on deck some scrubbing bulwarks some painting some cleaning the Capt's trunk and tools he has been Counting over a lot of Money I suppose he is studying to find out how much of it he can take without the owners knowing it. Money is John W Cornell's God - this day ends with light winds Long 53.22 West

Sunday 27th. Commences with light winds from the S E steering N W by W half W. a large Merchant ship in the same one we saw yesterday at 12 M. had quite a good breeze the Gansee Balls are hauling this is the Sabbath I wonder if we shall be at Hoboe next this day ends with strong Winds from the E S E. thick and cloudy John Dawson 10 knots



Journal kept on Board Bark Geo Dawson  
Home ward Round

Sunday 28th of Oct 1861. Commences with strong  
Wind from the South East steering W N W.  
drizzly and foggy, rubbed the Spanker and  
bent a new one undertook to paint but had  
to stop on account of rain at dark hove to under  
close reefed main topsail at 8 P.M. kept off  
set the foresail steering W by N.

Tuesday 29th. Commences with fresh breezes  
from the E S E. set whole main topsail and  
topgallant sail and double reefed fore topsail  
at 3 A.M. wind hauled to the W S W.  
steered by the wind set fidd. spanker &  
Main sail at 7 tacked heading to the South  
drizzly foggy weather at 8 tacked again heading  
to the Westward. Employed painting at 5 P.M.  
hauled Main topsail aback and rounded on  
bottom at 80 fathoms. Ende with a calm, heavy  
swell running (raining) during the day saw 3 sails

Wednesday 30th Commences squally and raining  
at 2 A.M. wind came out from the West by South  
steering by the wind heading to the South. Employed  
painting saw several sails at 9 A.M. tacked  
(tacked several times during the day) Steward is  
head over heels in work says he don't have time  
to sit down to his supper I am trying to write  
and Mr Duntlin is bothering me wants to know  
if I want a Lawyer at Sun set heading West  
on the Port tack Caught a Porpoise I believe we  
are through dobbing Mr Duntlin has capsize my  
Ink so I shant scratch any more to night

I must say that Amos. has as a  
general thing been a very good Boy.  
and I have been endeavoring as far as  
lay in my power to inculcate good  
principles in his mind. At times  
he has been inclined to depart  
from the paths of virtue, but a warn-  
ing look was enough to restrain  
him. At present he is very



Home ward bound  
 happy at the thought of getting  
 home once more. And as I shall  
 not be able to be with him at all  
 times. I hope that he will conduct  
 himself as to meet my entire ap-  
 probation at all times, and al-  
 ways bear in mind the excellent  
 advice that I have given him  
 from time to time, and devote his  
 whole time and attention to his  
 only sister, and let the other  
 girls slide.

I subscribe myself his most  
 sincere friend,

J. S. Duntton

Thursday 31st. I see that Mr Duntton has been  
 telling how he has kept me straight this voyage  
 Well I don't know but what he has done a little  
 something towards keeping me straight, but for  
 all that I always behave myself one thing he  
 has set me an example and I have followed  
 it - We have been engaged humbugging all day  
 light winds and not fair ran several sails  
 so on and so forth

Friday November 1st 1861 10 years ago to day  
 I sailed on my first voyage. Well we had light  
 winds to day at half past 2 A.M. hauled aback  
 rounded did not get bottom engaged humbugg-  
 ing sent up main royal yard. I have been  
 fitting the head boards Mr D has been scraping  
 the light grating and broke a pane of glass the  
 first one that has been broken this voyage I've  
 talked to him time and time again about being  
 so careless. Sam Howland has been cleaning out  
 the pots and swearing about the old mans navigat-  
 ing



## Off Nantucket Shoals

Saturday November 2nd. 1861 Commences with light winds from the N.E. at sun rise had fresh wind from the S.E. steering W.N.W. several sails in sight Employed scraping masts I had 8 hours out and thought of course I should have my forenoon watch below but I got disappointed for Godfrey Mager kept Potter and myself on deck painting Craft thank the Lord the voyage is most up. At 9 A.M. we saw a merchant ship Godfrey thought she was a privateer scared him out of 3 years growth he is easily scared at 12 had strong breezes at 3 sounder got bottom 15 fathoms white sand at half past 4 fueled main sail double reefed fore topsail fueled main royal Bore the Light Ship off Nantucket Shoals at dark blowing a gale from the East I hope this will be our last night aboard this old hulk this standing watch and having 5 or 6 men down below all night I don't believe in especially such a time as this damn him he won't have me a grate while longer to do as he likes with

Saturday Dec 7 I have been at home over a month and I think I am getting fat Mr Dantlin is in New Bedford on a visit Sam Rowland is courting strong I don't count much myself most all of our crew have gone off Polle B. Potter and Sam Rowland is courting strong and I think they will be spliced before long if they act as they do now for I think Sam is



New Bedford Feb 25th 1862

These twenty four hours comes in blowing a gale  
and snowing all night in no watch to stand  
turned out at 8 o'clock in the morning and  
ate my breakfast stoped snowing but still  
continues to blow in puffs -

W D Smith  
New Bedford

and

Capt Perkins of the good ship

A M Lawrence  
of New York  
U S America

bound to San Francisco

Port Stanley Falkland Islands  
February 20th 1864. Please God.  
good night.

Let me be



On board Bark Arashonko  
Memories Friday evening Aug 19<sup>th</sup> 1864

Memories dwell like doves among the trees  
Like Nymphs in glooms. like Naiads in the wells  
And some are sweet. and sadder some than death

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All are not just who do no wrong  
But he who will not wrong <sup>one</sup> when harming  
He only is the truly just. I praise not them  
Who in their petty dealings pilfer not  
But Him whose Conscience spurns a secret fraud  
When he might plunder and defy surprise  
His be the praise who looking down with scorn  
Upon the false judgment of partial heroes  
Consults his own clear heart and boldly dares <sup>to be</sup>  
Not to be thought an honest man

Bark Arashonko

South Atlantic Ocean

Aug 19<sup>th</sup> 1864

26  $\frac{1}{2}$  Months out 400 bbls Sperm  
150 bbls Whale

Bound South (12 days from Pernambuco.

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Edw. Bragdon

Amey



Frank Pierce  
 Chas. H. H. H.  
 Ed. J. J.  
 J. J. J.

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 Third St - Annie L Davis

Cal. Masfield Amy Baker  
 New Bedford

M B Hallie Brownell Mass.  
 Amos C Baker

Charles W. Porter New Bedford  
 So. Dartmouth

Mass. Lycurgus S. Howland  
 Dartmouth

Mass Baker Baker

Laura Brayton

Frank Pierce New Bedford

Frank Pierce  
 New Bedford  
 Mass











A heart

Barb Amashonks of New Bedford 27 months  
out bound to the Coast of Patagonia  
A heart for any fati who wouldnt sell a  
farm and Confece Whaling its tip top fun  
Nothing Day but I Cant see it many time

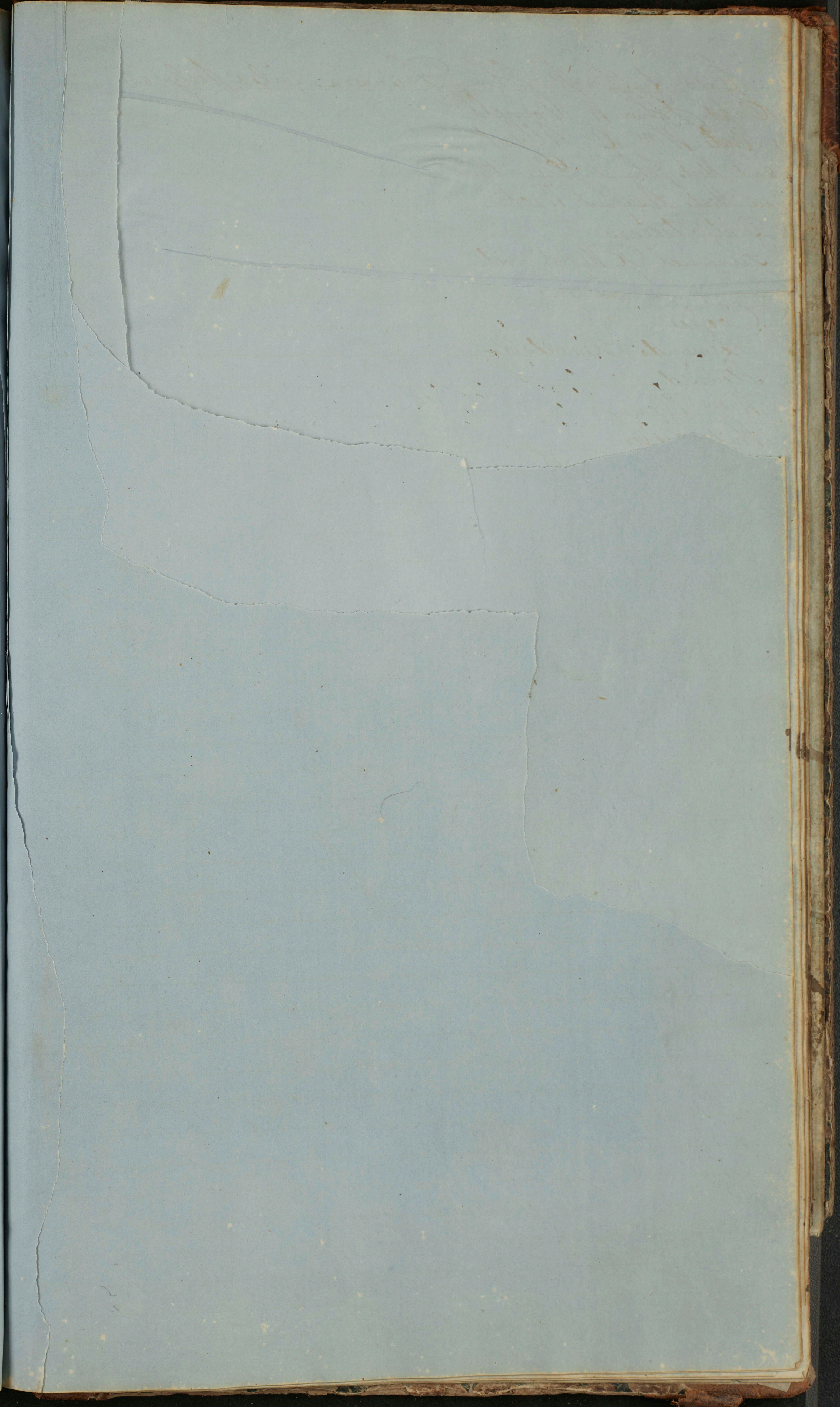






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Crew of Bark John Dawson. sailed July 18th 1860  
Capt John W Cornell  
Mate Wm C Albert  
2nd Mate John T Drumthin  
3rd Mate Asaph S Wicks

Boat Steerers  
Samuel R Howland  
Amos C Baker

Cooper  
Fernando Brooks

Steward  
Wm Menney

Ship Keeper  
Frederick Smith.

Cook  
John Smith.

Sea men  
John Tinkham  
Franklin Potter

Monro S. Ralph. Deserted at Bermuda May 1860

Jacob Walter. Deserted at Bermuda

Wm W. Johnson Deserted at Bermuda

Lewis Fisher Deserted at Bermuda got Caught again  
deserted again at Fayal offa got clear

Meelon Wood

John Bull

Joe Kanaka

George Kanaka

Henry S. Porter

Fell from Main top sail yard instantly killed

Alexander Pickle Deserted at Fayal Sept 1859

John Portuguese Deserted at Bermuda May 1860

Frank Portuguese

Leith Portuguese Deserted at Bermuda

Carpenter

John Harper Deserted at Bermuda joined an English Man

Sea men shipped at Bermuda May 1860

Robert Fox

Joseph Fox

Harry Claton

James Conlan

William Robinson

James Thomas George William Esq



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Ships spoken.

|                                       |            |                      |
|---------------------------------------|------------|----------------------|
| Ship Falcon of New Bedford            | July 21st  | 1859                 |
| Bark Iowa Fair Haven                  | August 4th | 1859                 |
| Bark Thomas Pope. N Bedford           | 27th       | 1859                 |
| Brig Eschol Beverly                   | 28         | 59                   |
| Bark Ocean Rover Mattapoisett         | 31         |                      |
| Bark N D Chase. Beverly               |            |                      |
| Bark Dove New London                  | Sept 4th   | 1859                 |
| Brig Altamaha. Sippican               | 6          | September            |
| Bark Messenger N Bedford              | 11         |                      |
| B Messenger do                        | 19         |                      |
| B Ocean Rover Mattapoisett            | 20         |                      |
| Brig Wofston Sippican                 | 22         |                      |
| Schooner John Adams. Provincetown     | 22         |                      |
| Sch Boswell King. Sippican            | 30         |                      |
| Bark Willis Mattapoisett              | Oct 4      | 1859                 |
| Brig Harrier of London Merchantman    | Nov 1      | 1859                 |
| Brig Geo Smith Baltimore. merchant    | 5          | November             |
| Bark Larsh Mattapoisett               | 30         |                      |
| Bark Morning Light. N Bedford         | Dec 6      | 1859                 |
| Ship Wasp Fair Haven                  | 6          | December             |
| Scho Susan Lag Carbon                 | 11         |                      |
| Scho Susan do                         | 12         |                      |
| Bark Pacific N Bedford                | 23         |                      |
| Bark Liverpool Dartmouth              | 24         |                      |
| Bark Eugenia N Bedford                | Jan 5      | 1860 <del>1859</del> |
| Bark Thomas Daniels. Bristol Eng.     | 11         | Merchantman          |
| Bark Port du France. Marcella. France | 11         | do January           |
| Bark Frances Mally. Milford Eng       | 15         | do                   |
| Bark Benjamin Cummings Dartmouth      | 26         |                      |
| Ship Zephyr N Bedford                 | Feb 13     | February             |
| Ship Zephyr do                        | March 7    | March                |
| Ship Christopher Mitchell N Bedford   | 11         |                      |
| Ship C Mitchell do                    | 12         |                      |
| Ship Brunswick Dartmouth              | 13         |                      |
| Ship Zephyr N Bedford                 | 17         |                      |
| Bark Amazon Fair Haven                | April 26   |                      |
| Brig Amelia Mattapoisett              | May 30     |                      |
| Bark Nye Dartmouth                    | June 4th   |                      |
| Bark Polon N Bedford                  | June 10th  |                      |
| Bark Sun Mattapoisett                 | June 24th  |                      |
| Bark George & Mary. Westport          | July 11th  |                      |
| Bark S & Mary Westport                | 12         |                      |
| Bark Union Mattapoisett               | 13         |                      |



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| Schooner | Admiral Blake    | Lippican               | July 15 <sup>th</sup>     | 1860 |
| Schooner | Emerald          | Fair Haven             | 18 <sup>th</sup>          |      |
| Bark     | Nye              | Dartmouth              | 19                        |      |
| Bark     | Edward           | New Bedford            | 29                        | 1860 |
| Bark     | Laphy            | N Bedford              | 30                        |      |
| Bark     | Sarah            | Mattapoisett           | August 2 <sup>nd</sup>    | 1860 |
| Bark     | Kingfisher       | New Bedford            | 4                         |      |
| Bark     | Liverpool        | Dartmouth              | 4                         |      |
| Bark     | Rothschild       | Oileans                | 4                         |      |
| Bark     | Tropic Bird      | N Bedford              | 11 <sup>th</sup>          |      |
| Bark     | Java             | N Bedford              | 12                        |      |
| Bark     | Java             | N B                    | 12                        |      |
| Bark     | Coriolanus       | Myetic                 | 12                        |      |
| Schooner | S L Learned      | Lag Harbor             | 22                        |      |
| Bark     | Tropic Bird      | N Bedford              | 23                        |      |
| Bark     | Tropic Bird      | N Bedford              | September 4 <sup>th</sup> |      |
| Ship     | Mary of the West | an American Clipper    | 9 <sup>th</sup>           |      |
| Bark     | Kathleen         | of New Bedford         | 26 <sup>th</sup>          |      |
| Bark     | Civilian         | Provincetown           | 27                        |      |
| Ship     | Sydia            | New Bedford            | 27                        |      |
| Bark     | Ocean            | Sandwich               | 27                        |      |
| Bark     | Ocean            | Sandwich               | Oct 13 <sup>th</sup>      |      |
| Bark     | Kingfisher       | New Bedford            | 22                        |      |
| Ship     | Thetis           | N Bedford              | 25 <sup>th</sup>          |      |
| Bark     | Zephyr           | of Boston. Merchantman | Nov 16 <sup>th</sup>      |      |
| Ship     | Mary Wilder      | New Bedford            | 23 <sup>rd</sup>          |      |
| Bark     | Atlantic         | N Bedford              | Dec 4 <sup>th</sup>       |      |
| Ship     | Wm & Henry       | Fair Haven             | 4 <sup>th</sup>           |      |
| Ship     | Wm & Henry       | Fair Haven             | 7 <sup>th</sup>           |      |
| Bark     | Sea Breeze       | New Bedford            | 22 <sup>nd</sup>          |      |
| Bark     | Sun Beam         | N Bedford              | Jan 5 <sup>th</sup>       | 1861 |
| Bark     | Wave             | of New Bedford         | 8 <sup>th</sup>           |      |
| BK       | Wave             | " " " " " "            | 16 <sup>th</sup>          |      |
| BK       | Wave             | " " " " " "            | Feb 4 <sup>th</sup>       |      |
| Ship     | George & Susan   | of New Bedford         | 17 <sup>th</sup>          |      |
| Ship     | George & Susan   | do do                  | March 3 <sup>rd</sup>     |      |
| Do       | do               | do                     | 4 <sup>th</sup>           |      |
| Bark     | Atlantic         | New Bedford            | April                     |      |
| BK       | Atlantic         | do do                  |                           |      |
| BK       | A R Tucker       | New Bedford            | June 29                   | 61   |
| BK       | Robert Morison   | New Bedford            | July 2 <sup>nd</sup>      | 61   |
| BK       | Robert Morison   |                        | July 4 <sup>th</sup>      | 1861 |
| BK       | Elizabeth        | West Port              | July 4 <sup>th</sup>      | 1861 |



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| Bark Atlantic        | New Bedford  | July | 24th |
| Barge Lafayette      | N. Bedford   | July | 24th |
| Barge Ocean          | Sandwich     | July | 24th |
| Bark Ocean           | do           |      | 26th |
| Schooner Emerald     | Fairhaven    |      | 31st |
| Schooner Geo W Lewis | Provincetown | Aug  | 28th |
| Bark Elizabeth       | Westford     |      | 27th |
| Bark A R Tucker      | New Bedford  | Sept | 14th |



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## The Sea Boys farewell

Wait wait ye Winds till I repeat  
A parting signal to the fleet  
Whose station is at home  
Then wait the sea boys simple prayer  
And let it oft be whispered there  
Whil'st other Climes I roam

Farewell to Father perrenod hulk  
Who spite of metal spite of bulk  
Must soon his cable slip  
But ere he's broken up I'll try  
The flag of gratitude to fly  
In duty to the ship

Farewell to Mother first rate she  
Who launched me on life's stormy sea  
And rigged me fore and aft  
May providence her timbers spare  
And keep her hull in good repair  
To tow the smaller craft

Farewell to George the jolly boat  
And all the little Crafts afloat  
In homes delightful bay  
When they arrive at sailing age  
May wisdom give the weather gage  
And guide them on their way

Farewell to all on life's rude main  
Perhaps we neer may meet again  
Through stress of stormy weather  
But summons by the board above  
We'll harbor in the port of love  
And all be moored together,



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Barre John & Joseph



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